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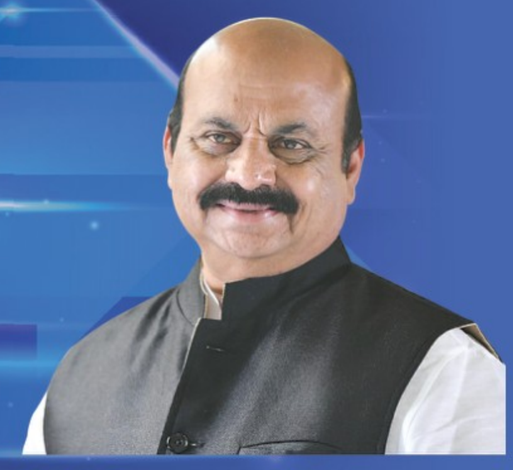

Shri Basavaraj S. Bommai
Hon'ble Chief Minister

Inauguration of
Whitefield (Kadugodi) to Krishnarajapura Metro Line
by Hon'ble Prime Minister
Shri Narendra Modi

25th March 2023, Saturday, 1.00 pm | Whitefield (Kadugodi) Metro Station

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- This section is the Eastern Extension to the operational East-West Corridor (Purple line) from Baiyappanahalli to Whitefield Station.
- Out of the 15.81 km extension under construction, a 13.71 km section from K.R. Puram to Whitefield is ready for operations.
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- Over **Rs.23,000 crore** allocated to Bengaluru Metro during the last four years, which is about 105% more than the allocation made during 2013-18.
- Over **Rs.3,000 crore** worth of resources provided to BWSSB during the last four years, which is about 155% more compared to the resources provided during 2013-18.

- **Rs.8,343 crore** for Nava Nagarothana Yojane
- **243 'Namma Clinics'** for Bengaluru
- **Rs.6,000 crore** for infrastructure development under **'Chief Minister's Amrith Nagarothana Scheme.'**
- **Rs.1,813 crore** for Development of **171 km** of storm water drains and concrete retaining walls
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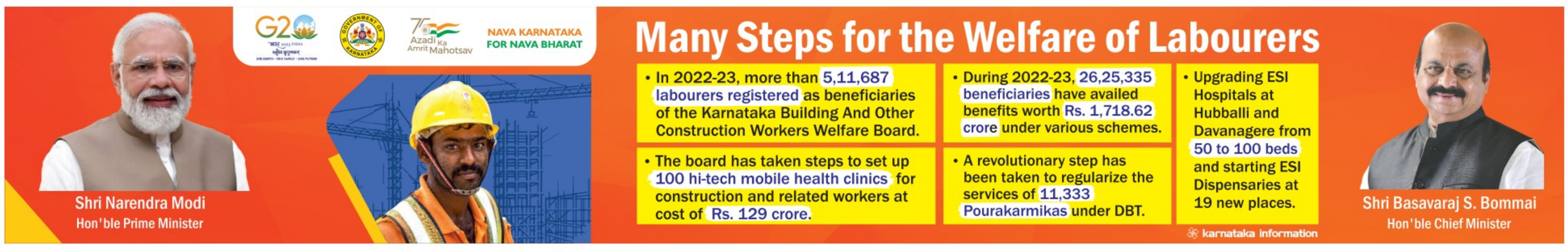

Rahul disqualified as MP; Cong. calls it 'black day' for democracy

I am fighting for the voice of India. I am ready to pay any price, says Rahul; Congress accuses ruling party of trying to silence him and other Opposition leaders and announces nationwide agitation; BJP says the decision is legal

Sandeep Phukan
NEW DELHI

A day after the Chief Judicial Magistrate's court in Surat convicted former Congress president Rahul Gandhi in a criminal defamation case over his Modi surname remark, the Lok Sabha Secretariat on Friday issued a notification to disqualify Mr. Gandhi as the Lok Sabha member from Wayanad.

Calling it a "black day" for Indian democracy, the Congress accused the ruling party of "strangulating" democracy by trying to silence the voices of Mr. Gandhi and other Opposition leaders. It would fight the battle legally as well as politically, the party said and announced a nationwide agitation against the disqualification.

New setback: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi leaving the Parliament building on Friday after his disqualification. AP

Mr. Gandhi, who had come to the Lok Sabha in the morning and attended a meeting of Congress MPs before the notification was issued, later tweeted, "I am fighting for the voice of India. I am ready to pay any price."

Stating that the Wayanad MP's disqualification from Lok Sabha was the natural outcome of the court order and emphasising that the law was equal for everyone, the BJP was quick to claim that Mr. Gandhi's 2019 comment about the Modi surname was an insult to Other Backward Classes (OBC).

At an election rally ahead of the 2019 Lok Sabha poll, Mr. Gandhi had said: "I have a question. Why do all of them – all of these thieves – have Modi Modi Modi in their names? Nirav Modi, Lalit Modi, Narendra Modi. And if we search a bit more, many more Modis will come out."

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AAP, Trinamool, BRS, SP come to Rahul's support

NEW DELHI
Parties that have consistently questioned the Congress's position as the principal Opposition party — the Aam Aadmi Party, Trinamool Congress, Bharat Rashtra Samithi and the Samajwadi Party — came out in support of Rahul Gandhi. Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal said the BJP was scared of Mr. Gandhi. » PAGE 15

He thinks law of the land does not apply to him: BJP

NEW DELHI
The BJP called Rahul Gandhi a "habitual offender" who believed that the law of the land did not apply to him. Noting that Mr. Gandhi is on bail in seven cases, the party asked him to reflect on why he hasn't been getting good legal advice from his own party, "despite it being full of good lawyers". » PAGE 15

State govt. cuts Muslims out of OBC quota, moves them to EWS

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

In a strategic move that comes ahead of the declaration of Assembly polls, the BJP government on Friday removed Muslims from the 2B category (4%) of Other Backward Classes (OBC) and split the quantum equally between Vokkaliga and Veerashaiva-Lingayats at 2% each. It moved Muslims into the 10% Economically Backward Classes (EWS) reservation pool.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who chaired what is likely the last Cabinet meeting before polls are announced, said that quota under the newly created categories of 2C and 2D in OBC quota for Vokkaligas and Veerashaiva-Lingayats had increased from 4% to 6% and from 5% to 7%. The Cabinet, in another move aimed at altering traditional caste calculations, decided to approve internal reservation among 101 SCs and recommend it to the Centre for implementation.

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Govt. to set up panel to 'improve' NPS

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday announced the constitution of a committee to propose changes to "improve" the National Pension System (NPS) for government employees in a way that balances their aspirations with fiscal prudence, while steering the Finance Bill's passage in the Lok Sabha.

The move assumes significance as five Opposition-ruled States have already moved staff hired post 2004 to the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) that guaranteed pension, while the BJP-Shiv Sena government in Maharashtra is thinking of exiting the NPS.

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HC saves boy from becoming 'stateless'

BENGALURU
The High Court of Karnataka came to the rescue of a 15-year-old boy and protected him from becoming "stateless" due to an unprecedented situation for which no solution exists in the present legal set-up. » Page 4

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Selvam Karthi (Tamil Nadu, Age 21)
- International caps: 12
- Debut: Asia Cup, 2022
- USP: Positioning, scoring angles, game sense

BISWARANJAN ROUT

Vishnukant Singh (Uttar Pradesh, 20)
- International caps: 10
- Debut: Asia Cup, 2022
- USP: Calmness, match intelligence, ball control

BISWARANJAN ROUT

Sukhjeet Singh (Punjab, 26)
- International caps: 26
- Debut: Pro League, 2022
- USP: Ball control, passing, positioning

BISWARANJAN ROUT

Abhishek (Haryana, 23)
- International caps: 38
- Debut: Pro League, 2022
- USP: Calmness, strong basics, speed

HOCKEY INDIA

Rabichandra Singh (Manipur, 21)
- International caps: 9
- Debut: Pro League, 2022
- USP: Finding gaps, interceptions, marking

HOCKEY INDIA

Pawan Malik (Haryana, 21)
- International caps: 5
- Debut: Pro League, 2022
- USP: Height, confidence, flexibility, agility

Indian hockey's infinite spin-cycle of emotions

The team's courage under pressure and sparkling attacking intent in the Pro League suggest that the World Cup disappointment is firmly in the past. But it's too early to hail the unbeaten run in Rourkela as a new dawn

GETTY IMAGES

Uthra Ganesan

The Indian hockey team may be as unpredictable as the weather, but its long-term fortunes follow a more predictable trajectory – an unexpected triumph, renewed hopes of sustained success, hype at major events culminating in disappointment and heads rolling, another emotional cycle starting all over again, rinse and repeat.

The previous cycle began with the bronze medal at the Tokyo Olympics, a success that was thought to be replicable at the 2023 World Cup at home. That, of course, did not materialise, leading to the premature exit of a quarter-dozen staff.

The FIH Pro League earlier this month marked yet another beginning in this infinite cycle of emotions in the life of hockey hopefuls, as a new-look Indian team put on quite a show.

The Pro League, stretching over a good part of the sporting year, has been the ideal testing ground for teams, allowing them to trial combinations, personnel and gameplans ahead of major competitions. Full-strength sides are seldom fielded. So, the results need to be taken with a shot of objectivity, with the focus instead on the intangibles.

It is in this context that India's unbeaten run in the recent mini-series in Rourkela, featuring Germany and Australia, offers hope that the World Cup disappointment is a thing of the past.

It provides incoming coach Craig Fulton both with a blueprint for the future and clarity on the shortcomings at the World Cup.

World Cup problems

Fitness was a clear factor, the Indians not even a patch on their former selves. The dearth of explanations for certain omissions – Jugraj Singh, for example – and selections, and the seeming shortage of back-up plans once the opposition had figured out the primary one were others. The lack of clarity and communication on the players' roles left both the viewers and the team confused. And the absence of senior players, regulars during shootouts over the years, from the crucial tie-breaker against New Zealand remains a mystery.

Of course, there were rumours of camps and favourites within the team, but unless interim coach David John, assisted by Shivendra Singh and B.J. Cariappa, worked magic to make them disappear in just over a month, there is little to explain how largely the same leadership group turned things around in the Pro League.

Beyond the scorelines, it was clearly a different Indian team – and not just the faces. The fitness levels had visibly improved – captain Harmanpreet Singh played an entire game and three-quarters of the next on consecutive days, unheard of in modern hockey, with no let-up in his performance – but more than the body, it was the mind that seemed free.

Flair and fearlessness

The Indians played with flair and fearlessness, unwilling to take the foot off the pedal under pressure. Barring a few nervous moments, especially in the third and fourth matches, there was also the clarity to stick to the structure, regardless of the game-state.

If there was one area that made all the difference, it was the attack. India's defence had held firm even during the World Cup but the attack had faltered. **The Pro League saw perhaps the most inexperienced forward line in Indian men's hockey in a long time and it made for supremely exciting viewing.**

Those excluded from the recent games – seniors such as Akashdeep Singh, Lalit Upadhyay and Mandeep Singh – will have their task cut out in proving themselves to the new South African coach who comes with a reputation for caring about only two things: fitness and performance.

Selvam Karthi, Sukhjeet Singh and Abhishek have opened up the competition up front, giving coach Fulton options he will love.

Karthi, in particular, can be the poacher India has long searched for, with his keen sense of positioning inside the 'D' and an eye for the right scoring angles. Sukhjeet has the skills to dodge past any defence and the calmness to stay in the moment under pressure while Abhishek displayed not just a strong grip on the basics of ball control but also an ability to receive and pass on the go.

It helps that all three, despite their lack of experience, possess acute game sense. Hopefully this will only sharpen with time, helping to reduce unforced errors. Their selflessness in attack, despite competing for spots, bodes well, for that is the bedrock of a successful team.

Workhorses Rabichandra Singh and Vishnukant Singh expressed their game intelligence through their passing and pressing although discipline is an area that needs work.

At the back, Pawan Malik held up admirably and provided much-needed back-up to Krishan Pathak and P.R. Sreejesh, the latter continuing to defy time, especially in tie-breakers where he proved his numero uno status once again against Australia.

Old faces, new roles

The team management's decisions to move players from their established roles worked too. Manpreet Singh was played deeper in defence to add stability and offer experienced support to Harmanpreet, Hardik Singh was given the responsibility of moving the game through the centre and drag-flicker Jugraj Singh, an inexplicable omission from the World Cup, supplied solutions to more than one problem – he relieved pressure on Harmanpreet, brought in variety and provided a second battery during penalty corners to keep the opposition guessing.

But the biggest surprise was entrusting Dilpreet Singh with the responsibility of keeping the midfield together. For the 23-year-old, who has always played up front, to be put in such a role and for him to perform it admirably was an eye-opener and a testament to his natural brilliance.

It is too early to call the recent performances a new beginning – Indian hockey has seen too many false dawns. Hockey India is yet to finalise the support staff for the team, including the key positions of scientific advisor and analytical coach. A full-time mental trainer, a long-held demand, continues to be elusive.

But the players themselves might just have given Fulton a better sense of his resources, as the team looks to win the Asian Games in six months' time and qualify for the Paris Olympics.

STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Carlos Alcaraz	19	7,420	18
2	Novak Djokovic	35	7,160	15
3	Stefanos Tsitsipas	24	5,770	21
4	Casper Ruud	24	5,560	24
5	Daniil Medvedev	27	4,330	23
6	Felix Auger-Aliassime	22	3,415	27
7	Andrey Rublev	25	3,390	25
8	Holger Rune	19	3,325	26
9	Hubert Hurkacz	26	3,065	22
10	Taylor Fritz	25	2,975	23
11	Jannik Sinner	21	2,925	20
12	Cameron Norrie	27	2,815	23
13	Rafael Nadal	36	2,715	13
14	Frances Tiafoe	25	2,710	23
15	Alexander Zverev	25	2,580	19

Top Indians ▸

Sumit Nagal
Rank 374 ▲ 5 spots

Mukund Sasikumar
Rank 401 ▲ 2 spots

WTA Women's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Iga Swiatek	21	9,975	17
2	Aryna Sabalenka	24	6,740	19
3	Jessica Pegula	29	5,605	17
4	Caroline Garcia	29	4,990	23
5	Ons Jabeur	28	4,976	16
6	Coco Gauff	19	4,401	18
7	Elena Rybakina	23	3,720	22
8	Daria Kasatkina	25	3,375	24
9	Belinda Bencic	26	3,360	21
10	Maria Sakkari	27	3,191	23
11	Veronika Kudermetova	25	2,470	21
12	Petra Kvitova	33	2,377	18
13	Barbora Krejcikova	27	2,324	18
14	Beatriz Haddad Maia	26	2,276	25
15	Liudmila Samsonova	24	2,191	21

Top Indians ▸

Ankita Raina
Rank 226 ▲ 15 spots

Karman Thandi
Rank 272 ▼ 4 spots

English Premier League Standings

#	Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	Arsenal	28	22	3	3	66	26	40	69
2	Man. City	27	19	4	4	67	25	42	61
3	Man. United	26	15	5	6	41	35	6	50
4	Tottenham	28	15	4	9	52	40	12	49
5	Newcastle	26	12	11	3	39	19	20	47
6	Liverpool	26	12	6	8	47	29	18	42
7	Brighton	25	12	6	7	46	31	15	42
8	Brentford	27	10	12	5	43	34	9	42
9	Fulham	27	11	6	10	38	37	1	39
10	Chelsea	27	10	8	9	29	28	1	38
11	Aston Villa	27	11	5	11	35	39	-4	38
12	Palace	28	6	9	13	22	38	-16	27
13	Wolves	28	7	6	15	22	41	-19	27
14	Leeds	27	6	8	13	35	44	-9	26
15	Everton	28	6	8	14	22	40	-18	26
16	Nott. Forest	27	6	8	13	22	49	-27	26
17	Leicester	27	7	4	16	38	47	-9	25
18	West Ham	26	6	6	14	24	34	-10	24
19	Bournemouth	27	6	6	15	25	54	-29	24
20	Southampton	28	6	5	17	23	46	-23	23

Italian Serie A Standings

#	Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	Napoli	27	23	2	2	64	16	48	71
2	Lazio	27	15	7	5	42	19	23	52
3	Inter Milan	27	16	2	9	47	31	16	50
4	AC Milan	27	14	6	7	44	36	8	48
5	Roma	27	14	5	8	35	26	9	47
6	Atalanta	27	13	6	8	44	31	13	45
7	Juventus *	27	17	5	5	45	22	23	41
8	Udinese	27	9	11	7	37	31	6	38
9	Fiorentina	27	10	7	10	32	31	1	37
10	Bologna	27	10	7	10	33	36	-3	37
11	Torino	27	10	7	10	29	33	-4	37
12	Sassuolo	27	10	6	11	35	40	-5	36
13	Monza	27	9	7	11	32	37	-5	34
14	Empoli	27	6	10	11	24	36	-12	28
15	Lecce	27	6	9	12	24	32	-8	27
16	Salernitana	27	6	9	12	31	47	-16	27
17	Spezia	27	5	9	13	23	43	-20	24
18	Verona	27	4	7	16	22	41	-19	19
19	Sampdoria	27	3	6	18	16	44	-28	15
20	Cremonese	27	1	10	16	22	49	-27	13

** 15 points deducted after investigation into club's past transfer dealings*

Spanish LaLiga Standings

#	Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	Barcelona	26	22	2	2	49	9	40	68
2	Real Madrid	26	17	5	4	51	21	30	56
3	Atletico Madrid	26	15	6	5	42	19	23	51
4	Real Sociedad	26	14	6	6	35	24	11	48
5	Real Betis	26	13	6	7	34	26	8	45
6	Villarreal	26	12	5	9	32	24	8	41
7	Athletic Bilbao	26	10	6	10	36	28	8	36
8	Rayo Vallecano	26	9	9	8	31	30	1	36
9	Osasuna	26	9	7	10	22	27	-5	34
10	Celta Vigo	26	9	7	10	32	35	-3	34
11	Real Mallorca	26	9	5	12	22	27	-5	32
12	Girona	26	8	7	11	40	41	-1	31
13	Getafe	26	7	8	11	27	34	-7	29
14	Sevilla	26	7	7	12	29	42	-13	28
15	Cadiz	26	6	10	10	21	38	-17	28
16	Real Valladolid	26	8	4	14	20	38	-18	28
17	Espanyol	26	6	9	11	32	42	-10	27
18	Valencia	26	7	5	14	28	31	-3	26
19	Almeria	26	7	5	14	30	45	-15	26
20	Elche	26	2	7	17	19	51	-32	13

German Bundesliga Standings

#	Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	Dortmund	25	17	2	6	55	31	24	53
2	Bayern	25	15	7	3	72	27	45	52
3	Union Berlin	25	14	6	5	38	28	10	48
4	SC Freiburg	25	13	7	5	38	34	4	46
5	RB Leipzig	25	13	6	6	49	30	19	45
6	Eint. Frankfurt	25	11	7	7	46	36	10	40
7	Wolfsburg	25	10	8	7	44	32	12	38
8	Leverkusen	25	11	4	10	45	40	5	37
9	Mainz	25	10	7	8	40	36	4	37
10	M'gladbach	25	8	7	10	40	44	-4	31
11	Werder Bremen	25	9	4	12	39	48	-9	31
12	FC Augsburg	25	8	4	13	32	45	-13	28
13	Cologne	25	6	9	10	33	44	-11	27
14	Bochum	25	8	1	16	27	56	-29	25
15	Hoffenheim	25	6	4	15	33	45	-12	22
16	Hertha Berlin	25	5	6	14	30	48	-18	21
17	Schalke	25	4	9	12	21	45	-24	21
18	Stuttgart	25	4	8	13	29	42	-13	20

Test Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Marnus Labuschagne	915	937
2	Kane Williamson	883	919
3	Steve Smith	872	947
4	Joe Root	871	923
5	Babar Azam	862	882
6	Travis Head	853	853
7	Usman Khawaja	815	815
8	Daryl Mitchell	792	800
9	Rishabh Pant	766	801
10	Dimuth Karunaratne	749	782

Test Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	R. Ashwin	869	904
2	James Anderson	859	903
3	Pat Cummins	841	914
4	Kagiso Rabada	825	902
5	Shaheen Afridi	787	836
6	Ollie Robinson	785	820
7	Jasprit Bumrah	780	835
8	Nathan Lyon	757	774
9	Ravindra Jadeja	753	899
10	Kyle Jamieson	742	836

ODI Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Babar Azam	887	898
2	Rassie van der Dussen	777	796
3	Imam-ul-Haq	740	815
4	Quinton de Kock	740	813
5	Shubman Gill	733	735
6	David Warner	732	880
7	Steve Smith	714	752
7	Virat Kohli	714	911
9	Rohit Sharma	704	885
10	Kane Williamson	700	799

ODI Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Josh Hazlewood	713	733
2	Trent Boult	708	775
3	Mohammed Siraj	702	736
3	Mitchell Starc	702	783
5	Rashid Khan	659	806
6	Shakib Al Hasan	648	717
7	Shaheen Afridi	641	688
8	Mujeeb Ur Rahman	637	712
9	Adam Zampa	633	655
10	Mohammad Nabi	631	657

T20I Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Suryakumar Yadav	906	910
2	Mohammad Rizwan	836	875
3	Babar Azam	778	896
4	Devon Conway	768	831
5	Aiden Markram	748	796
6	Muhammad Waseem	716	716
7	Dawid Malan	705	915
8	Rilee Rossouw	693	693
9	Aaron Finch	680	900
10	Jos Buttler	670	674

T20I Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Wanindu Hasaranga	695	797
2	Rashid Khan	694	816
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Traffic arrangements for PM's visit in place

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Traffic arrangements and diversions have been put in place across Bengaluru for the smooth movement of vehicles during the movement of VVIPs from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in view of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit on Saturday.

The Prime Minister is visiting poll-bound Karnataka to inaugurate Whitefield (Kadugodi) to Krishnarajapura (K.R. Pura) Namma Metro line. Dates for elections to the State Assembly are likely to be announced early next week.

On Saturday, restrictions have been imposed on the movement of heavy goods vehicles in and around Whitefield, including from Katamnallur Cross towards Kadugodi - Hope Farm Circle - up to Varthur Kodi, Gunjur towards Varthur -Whitefield - Hope Farm Circle - Kadugodi - Katamnallur Cross, from Thirumashetty Halli Cross towards Channasandra - Hope Farm Circle, from Tin Factory towards Hoodi - ITPL Main Road - Hope Farm Circle, from Marathahalli towards - Kundalahalli - Varthur Kodi - Whitefield.

Other routes

Alternate routes for the above road restrictions have been made on Hosakote - Doddagattiganabbi - Thirumalashetty Halli via Chikkathirupathi to reach Sarjapura, from Sarjapura - Gunjur Sri Rama temple - Nerige Road -Thirumalashetty Halli - Doddagattiganabbi to reach Hosakote, from Tin Factory - KR Puram - via Battarahalli to reach Hosakote, from Marathahalli - Doddanekkundi - Mahadevapura - Tin Factory towards Bhattarahalli.

Curbs on movement

Restrictions on the movement of vehicles between 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. from Varthur Kodi - Hope Farm Circle - Kadugodi - Kannamangala Gate, from Channasandra - through Hope Farm Circle to reach Hoodi Circle, from Kundalahalli Road - Graphite Junction - Vydehi Hospital Circle - Big Bazaar Junction to reach Hope Farm Junction.

Alternate routes for the above road restrictions are: from Varthur Kodi - Kundalahalli Bridge - Old Airport Road to reach towards city; from Channasandra Circle towards - Nagondanahalli - Immadihalli - Hagaduru - to reach Varthur Kodi; from Katamnallur Cross towards - Kannamangala Gate - Shigehalli Gate - HP petrol pump - Kadugodi Nala Road to reach Channasandra; from Hoodi Circle towards - Graphite India Road to reach Kundalahalli; from Hoodi Circle towards Ayappa Nagar - Battarahalli Junction - Medahalli Bridge - via Katamnallur Cross to reach Hosakote.

4.2% saplings planted by BMRCL near three lakes dead, says report

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A recent rapid survey found that while 16.5% of saplings planted under Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited's (BMRCL) compensatory afforestation were water stressed, 4.2% of them seemed dead.

The report, 'Rapid survey on status of saplings planted by BMRCL under compensatory afforestation in three lakes of Bengaluru' released by Action Aid Association (India) also reported that garbage and plastic were thrown around the saplings and also the lakes.

Three lakes - Sarakki, Gottigere and Veersagara were randomly selected for the survey which was conducted between March 16 and 23. The study aimed to assess the health of saplings by focusing on the number of green leaves, brown leaves, no leaves and dead saplings. It further took into account the tree guards.

Of the total 901 saplings counted, 690 had green leaves while 27 had brown leaves, 87 had no leaves, and 29 were dead, the report said. It also said that only 192 trees had guards. "The findings listed may or may not be true for all the saplings planted across Bengaluru. This should be seen as a representative image of health of saplings after 2 years of maintenance," the report added.

Film festival

The crowd at the Bengaluru International Film Festival in Bengaluru on Friday. SUDHAKARA JAIN

Police seize ration kits meant for voters

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Kothanur police on Tuesday raided a warehouse and recovered 1,251 ration kits worth ₹4.4 lakh. Based on a tip off, team of police raided Anjanadri warehouse on Kyalasanahalli and found the kits stored there. They suspect that the bags were meant to be distributed among voters to lure them. The police have registered a case and are investigating.

BMRCL mulling tie-up with companies on bulk purchase of smart cards

With the opening of the Krishnarajapura to Whitefield line, Bengaluru will have the second largest operational metro network after Delhi

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BENGALURU

The BMRCL is all set to open 13 km of the Whitefield metro line from Krishnarajapura, an extension of the purple line built under Phase II of Namma Metro. SUDHAKARA JAIN

The Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) is contemplating allowing companies, industrial units and IT Parks to purchase metro smart cards in bulk as a promotional activity to increase metro ridership in future. The passes that are going to used by the employees of the companies will be co-branded with Namma Metro and the companies purchasing the smart cards.

The BMRCL is all set to open 13 km of the Whitefield metro line from Krishnarajapura, an extension of the purple line built under Phase II of Namma Metro. The remaining stretch of the line for 2 km from Baiyappanahalli to Krishnarajapura will be opened mid-year. On Saturday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the line. The commercial operations of the line will start from March 26.

With the opening of the new line, the BMRCL will have an operational metro line of 69.66 km with 63 metro stations. After Delhi Metro, Bengaluru will have the second largest operational metro network in the country.

BMRCL Managing Director Anjum Parwez told *The Hindu* that the move is aimed at professionals and techies working in various IT parks and companies to ditch their personal vehicles and shift to the public transport system. "During a meeting with Outer Ring Road Companies' Association (ORRCA), a suggestion came from representatives of companies in this regard. We are contemplating providing smart cards in bulk to the management of the companies. They in turn provide cards to their employees for free. Whatever standard discount rate is applicable for users of smart cards at present will also be applicable to these cards."

He added that the BMRCL will facilitate top-up or recharging of the smart cards. "It is up to the management of the companies to decide on how much top-up they want to do. They can give metro travel allowance or use other modes to encourage employees to travel by the metro. As smart cards are transferable, when an employee resigns, the card can be used by the new employee. As of now, we held one round of meetings on this initiative. Once we finalise everything, we will reach out to the management of the companies."

In the past, the Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) too tied up with IT parks and companies to promote their Vajra AC services by issuing monthly passes in bulk.

The BMRCL is estimating that opening the entire Whitefield Metro line would increase the ridership by 2.5 to 3 lakh per day. There are multiple tech parks, industrial hubs and residential areas located along the line.

Under Phase II of Namma Metro project, the BMRCL is connecting two IT corridors in the city: one is extending the purple line till Whitefield, the other one is building a new line from R.V. Road to Bommsandra. Under Phase II A and B, the metro is building the ORR-Airport line (from Central Silk Board to Kempegowda International Airport) that also passes through an IT Corridor on Outer Ring Road.

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For Ashleigh Gardner, 'there is more to cricket than cricket'

One of just four Australians of Indigenous descent to have played Test cricket, the 25-year-old all-rounder talks about the importance of representation, her success in an almost invincible national side and her experience in the inaugural edition of the WPL

GETTY IMAGES

INTERVIEW

Ashleigh Gardner

P.K. Ajith Kumar

Ashleigh Gardner has the word 'Muruwari' tattooed on her left arm. It is her community's name and she is proud of her Indigenous lineage.

She is one of the biggest game-changers in women's cricket. She is also one of the most passionate voices for Australia's Aboriginal population.

Only four Australians of Indigenous descent have played Test cricket so far. Gardner was the third. The others are Faith Thomas – the first Aboriginal woman to represent Australia in any sport – Jason Gillespie and Scott Boland.

Unfortunately, women's Tests are few and far between. So it is Gardner's skills in the shorter formats that the world has seen more of.

She is a brilliant finisher, and when Australia fields, she is often the go-to woman. With her off-spin, she floats through all phases of a T20 innings.

At 25, she is at the peak of her powers. Last month, she was named the best player at the T20 World Cup in South Africa. She was the second-highest wicket-taker and averaged 36.66 with the bat to help Australia win yet another ICC trophy. She also played significant roles in Australia's triumphs at the ODI World Cup and the Commonwealth Games last year.

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When Cricket Australia scheduled a Women's T20I game, against Pakistan, on Australia Day (January 26), Gardner minced no words in her criticism.

"For those who don't have a good understanding of what that day means, it was the beginning of genocide, massacres and dispossession," she wrote on her social media account. "When I take the field for this game I will certainly be reflecting and thinking about all of my ancestors and peoples' lives who changed from this day."

During the inaugural edition of the Women's Premier League – Gardner was the joint costliest overseas player, signed up by Gujarat Giants for ₹3.2 crore – she spoke to *The Hindu* about representing Indigenous Australians, her demanding role in the national side, how the WPL could transform the women's game in India, and how the late Andrew Symonds influenced her cricket. Excerpts:

You first came to India in 2016 as the captain of a team of Indigenous Australian women. It was the first all-Indigenous female cricket team to go on a tour. How do you look back at the experience?
It was challenging conditions and it was also challenging to captain a team that I didn't know well. It remains one of the best challenges of my career. The team was put together after we played a tournament. I was one of the youngest players but [coach] Shelley Nitschke saw some sort of leadership capabilities in me.

You may not have imagined at the time that you would make another trip to India, seven years later, for the WPL after bagging such a big contract.
Yes, there has been quite a dramatic change in my career. As international cricketers we have been waiting for this competition to start off. Now is the right time. It is great that India is putting in the money and the effort for women's cricket. In five to 10 years, I think India could dominate women's cricket, but I might be retired by then, so I won't have to fight them at their highest.

The other day Ellyse Perry was telling me that you are a great example of what the WBBL has done for Australian cricket.

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I was just starting out when the WBBL came. It has paved the way for a lot of youngsters like me. The WBBL is sometimes as good as playing international cricket.

Do you think the WPL could produce a player like you for India?
Absolutely. It is pleasing to see so many young Indian talents. There are so many players that have stepped up for their respective teams.

Which young Indians have impressed you?
One name I can think of is Shreyanka Patil of RCB; she is a young off-spinner and handy batter as well. She also got me out. I had a quick chat with her. She thinks about the game deeply.

How do you view your role in the Australian team?
It is tough, but it is also an absolute privilege because the captain can call you in different situations, with both bat and ball. Two or three years ago I probably wouldn't have seen myself as someone who can bowl in the PowerPlay and at the death. There have been some challenging times as well, but the best thing about being an all-rounder is that sometimes when you don't bowl, you have your batting to lean on and vice versa. Yes, it is tough at times when both skills don't go the way you want, but when it comes off, it is an absolute honour to do that.

You had an excellent World Cup in South Africa.
It was fantastic and I thought we played some really good cricket throughout. I was glad that I could put on some performances for my team. It is a fantastic group of girls. To be part of such a successful side over the last six years is something we are all proud of. I hope we can take our game to new heights.

How important is the role of cricketers like Boland and you for Australia's Indigenous population?
I guess it is important for young Indigenous kids to have role models like us to play at the highest level. When having conversations with other players like Scott, you don't probably realise the impact you are actually having out there. The thing for us is that there is more to cricket than cricket. And we are representing more than ourselves and our families.

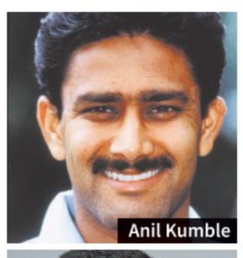
We are representing a lot of people out there. So it is about being a good person, a role model both on and off the field, and making sure you are doing the right things at all times. It is important to keep at the back of your head the thought that you are a role model for young, aspiring Indigenous kids that want to play cricket or professional sport. We play a big role in our community and it is a role that I love playing.

Which cricketers do you look up to?
There is one cricketer that stands out, and that is Andrew Symonds. He was my idol growing up and he still is. I still love watching videos of him. The way he was able to change the game is something I loved watching. I guess I have tried to replicate the way he took the game on. He was also one of the reasons why I started bowling off-spin. He will continue to have an impact on my career.

GAME THEORY

Most prolific Test bowlers in India

Nathan Lyon moved to No. 1 on the list of overseas bowlers with the most Test wickets in India while R. Ashwin narrowed the gap to top-ranked Anil Kumble on the Indian list during the recently concluded Border-Gavaskar Trophy.


Anil Kumble

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MOST WICKETS IN INDIA: INDIAN BOWLERS

Bowler	Style	Tests	Wkts	Ave	SR	5-fors
Anil Kumble	Spin	63	350	24.88	59.4	25
R. Ashwin	Spin	55	337	20.87	46.6	26
Harbhajan Singh	Spin	55	265	28.76	64.1	18
Kapil Dev	Pace	65	219	26.49	55.7	11
Ravindra Jadeja	Spin	40	194	20.45	53.8	10
B.S. Chandrasekhar	Spin	32	142	27.69	64.6	8
Bishan Bedi	Spin	30	137	23.99	75.8	8
Javagal Srinath	Pace	32	108	26.61	55.8	5
Zaheer Khan	Pace	38	104	35.87	70.2	3
Ishant Sharma	Pace	42	104	31.64	65.6	2
Vinoo Mankad	Spin	23	103	26.53	75.4	4
Pragyan Ojha	Spin	20	101	27.51	63.5	7
Umesh Yadav	Pace	32	101	25.88	48.0	2

MOST WICKETS IN INDIA: OVERSEAS BOWLERS

Bowler	Style	Tests	Wkts	Ave	SR	5-fors
Nathan Lyon	Spin	11	56	27.35	51.7	5
Derek Underwood	Spin	16	54	26.51	78.0	1
Richie Benaud	Spin	8	52	18.38	56.7	5
Courtney Walsh	Pace	7	43	18.55	38.7	3
M. Muralidaran	Spin	11	40	45.45	86.2	2
Lance Gibbs	Spin	9	39	23.38	76.0	3
Wes Hall	Pace	8	38	20.94	46.5	2
John Lever	Pace	8	37	19.75	43.1	3
Andy Roberts	Pace	7	37	19.81	42.8	3
Malcolm Marshall	Pace	9	36	24.61	49.8	2
James Anderson	Pace	13	34	29.32	66.2	0
Graham McKenzie	Pace	8	34	19.26	58.3	3
Shane Warne	Spin	9	34	43.11	81.0	1

SOURCE: ESPNCRICINFO

PICTURE THIS

HARRY TRUMP/GETTY IMAGES

Burning issue

Borussia Dortmund fans burn flares during the Bundesliga match against FC Schalke 04 at the Veltins-Arena earlier this month.

The Revierderby between these rivals is always a combustible affair — is it wise then to add fireworks to the mix?

The use of pyrotechnics inside stadiums remains a hot topic in Germany. Although officially banned, it's widely tolerated, unlike, for instance, in England, where the repercussions are severe.

Hardcore fans believe that setting off fireworks to make stadiums a hostile place for opponents is a cultural expression that must not be repressed. There is also a general dislike of the police checks aimed at curbing pyrotechnics; several fans say this makes entering stadiums a hassle.

But the safety risks — two fans were hurt as recently as this month when flares were lit at a Bundesliga game — and the harm it causes to those with respiratory issues are strong arguments in favour of a ban.

Some German clubs advocate a middle ground: safe and controlled use, including the creation of a 'pyro zone', instead of a complete ban, which they say is difficult to consistently enforce.

II PU classes begin early in private colleges

Parents are also angry that many college managements have increased the annual fee for students

Jayanth R.
BENGALURU

Even before the completion of the 2022-23 academic year, many private Pre-University (PU) colleges have already started II PU classes for the academic 2023-24 against the rules of the Department of Pre-University Education (DPUE) for the next academic year. To add to this, compared to the previous years, in the name of integrated courses, many private PU colleges have increased the annual fee.

According to the DPUE's calendar of events, the II PU exams are on across the State since March 9 and the I PU exam will be held from March 28 to April 13. The I PU results will be announced on April 30. The department will start academic activities for II PU Science students mid-May. Commerce and Arts classes will begin by June 1. However, many private PU colleges have completed the annual exam for I PU students and started II PU classes, having announced the I PU results unauthorised.

Apart from this, many PU college managements have increased the annual fee for II PU for the next year. For instance, the fees at a college for II PU has increased from ₹75,000 to ₹1.3 lakh for one-time payment and ₹1.8 lakh if paid in installments. Balakrishna, a parent, said, "My son is in a private PU college in the city and I had paid ₹80,000 for his I PU Science course. Now, they have already started the II PU classes for the next year and have demanded ₹1.3 lakh fee as a one-time settlement. Initially, I objected to the fee hike, but they threatened to withdraw the admission. I ended up paying ₹1.3 lakh as one-time settlement."

Prasanna Gowda, another parent, said, "The government has fixed some fee regulations for private schools' managements, but there is no fee regulations for private PU colleges. In the name of integrated courses, they are exploiting parents." The lack of fee regulation for the private PU colleges has led to increase in the annual fee in the name of integrated courses for CET, NEET, JEE and others. However, there is no provision from DPUE to teach integrated courses.

The director of a private PU college said they were conducting integrated courses and their fee was "reasonable." "Parents say their children will save money and time. If students join CET, NEET, JEE and other coaching outside college, they will pay more. Due to COVID-19, educational institutions faced huge losses and staff are also demanding higher salaries. College maintenance charges are up. Therefore, we don't have other alternative," the director said.

Timings
BENGALURU

SATURDAY, MAR. 25	
RISE 06:21	SET 18:31
RISE 08:56	SET 21:59
SUNDAY, MAR. 26	
RISE 06:20	SET 18:31
RISE 09:42	SET 22:54
MONDAY, MAR. 27	
RISE 06:19	SET 18:31
RISE 10:30	SET 23:50

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	33	25
Mysuru	35	17
Bengaluru	35	22

Bengaluru Today
34°C A mostly dry weather to continue. Morning will be pleasant with mist and haze. Day will be warm. Night also will be pleasant.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
33°C A warm and humid weather to prevail. Night will remain pleasant. Spell of light rain and thundershower with gusty winds may occur.

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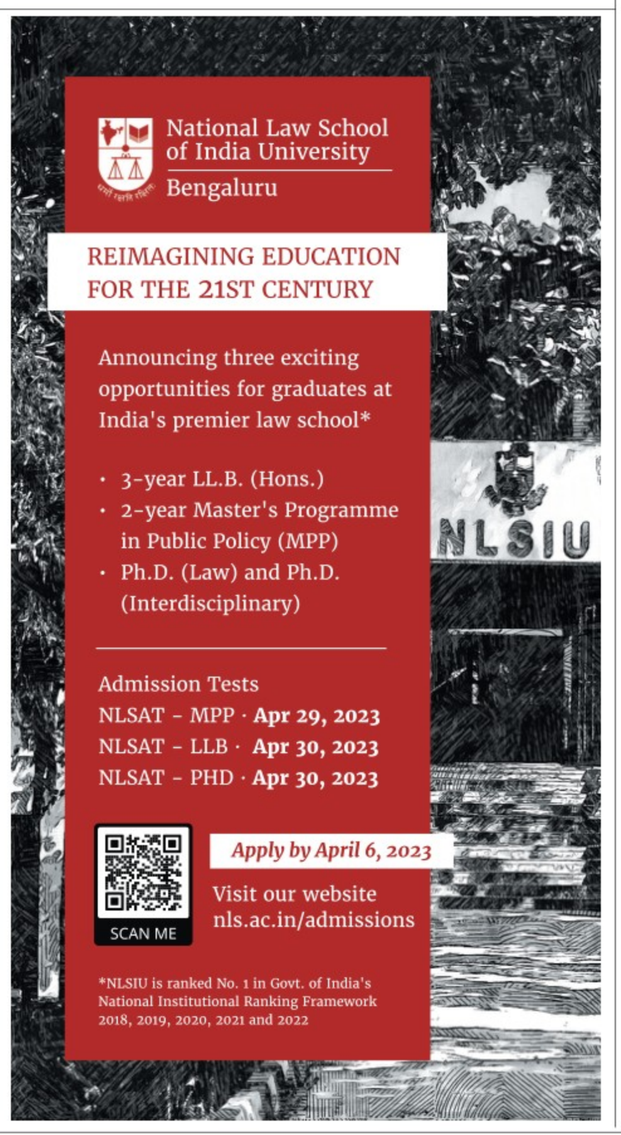

New head for Jain Mutt appointed

The Hindu Bureau
HASSAN

Agama Keerthi Bhattaraka, a native of Sagar in Shivamogga district of Karnataka, has been appointed as the new head of the Jain Mutt in Shravanabelagola in Channarayapatna taluk. Charukeerthi Bhattaraka Swami, who passed away on March 23, had anointed Agama Keerthi, 23, as his successor a few months ago.

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High Court protects boy from becoming 'stateless'

The court gives the 15-year-old liberty to seek Indian citizenship when he turns 18

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka came to the rescue of a 15-year-old boy and protected him from becoming a "stateless" child due to an unprecedented situation for which no solution exists in the existing legal framework. The court directed the passport authorities to re-issue passport to Arya Selvakumar Priya till he attains majority, as he would have otherwise been rendered "stateless" as his mother was "reckless" in not knowing the consequences of renouncing her Indian citizenship, and his father was untraceable.

Perhaps, the lawmakers would not have envisaged a situation of this kind, that is brought before the court, for them to think of a solution in the form of rules, guidelines, or procedures stipulated under the Citizenship Act or the Passports Act, the court noted.

UN mandate

While noticing the absence of legal provision for issuing passport to the petitioner-boy under the existing Indian laws, Justice M. Nagaprasanna said it is the duty of the courts to protect human rights of the boy as the United Nation's conventions on rights of child and the Stateless, to which India is a signatory, mandates that "no child should be left stateless." The court passed the order on a petition filed by the boy and his mother.

"Stateless" child is an individual who does not hold the citizenship of any country. The Citizenship Act states that a minor child would cease to be an Indian citizen if one of the parents renounce Indian citizenship. The law allows such minors to apply for Indian citizenship only on attaining 18 years of age.

The boy was born in India in 2008 and his parents were Indian citizens then. His father relocated to Canada in 2011, and he joined him with his mother later. However, the father came back to India with the boy in 2012 and left him with his maternal grandparents. The father has been untraceable since. The grandparents had secured a minor's Indian passport that was valid till March 2020.

However, the boy's mother continued her stay in Canada to pursue her higher studies. She, on completion of higher studies, acquired Canadian citizenship and renounced Indian citizenship in 2015 and got citizenship surrender certificate. Later, she relocated to United Kingdom due to avocation. In 2018, she got an order from a family court in Bengaluru annulling her marriage as her husband remained untraceable. She then applied for renewal of passport of her son to enable her to take him to the U.K. However, the passport authorities declined to renew passport as the boy, as per the law, had lost Indian citizenship as mother had renounced her Indian citizenship. However, the passport appellate authority, on humanitarian grounds, had in March 2022, issued a temporary passport to the boy for one year, valid till March 2023, to enable the boy to join his mother in the U.K.

The court noted that the boy had lost Indian citizenship as mother renounced her Indian citizenship and he cannot become citizen of any country as of now and hence, will become "Stateless" till he attains age of 18.

The court cannot shut its doors to the cry of a child, observed Justice Nagaprasanna while giving liberty to the boy to restore his Indian citizenship once he turns 18.

Drugs worth crores destroyed in city

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Drugs worth ₹90.8 crore seized by city police were destroyed as part of Drug Trafficking and National Security conference in Bengaluru on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Union Home Minister Amit Shah released a video on a drug disposal campaign by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) showing a total of 1.29 lakh kg of seized drugs valued at ₹3,138 crore destroyed by NCB on Friday.

These drugs, according to an official release, were seized by various field units of NCB in 10 months since June 2022.

Mr. Shah also virtually inaugurated the newly established Regional Office and the Canine Po l of NCB at Chennai during the programme.

In his inaugural address at the Regional Conference on Drug Trafficking and National Security at Bengaluru, Mr. Shah expressed concern that all South Indian States and Union Territories were facing alarming levels of drug abuse. He stressed on the need for concerted actions of all Central and State stakeholders in fighting drug trafficking and abuse in the region.

He advised the NCB to adopt a top to bottom and bottom to top approach in the investigation of NDPS cases to unearth in detail the entire network involved.

He highlighted increased maritime trafficking of drugs in the region and the need to disrupt it through planned coordinated actions and directed that the drug law enforcement agencies must adopt emerging technologies to effectively tackle increasingly technology aided drug trafficking by drug trafficking syndicates.

'Zero tolerance'

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said that the State government has adopted a zero tolerance attitude towards drug cases and stepped up vigil. Due to this, the police are cracking cases up to 5,000 a year and ensuring that peddlers and people involved in the cases are convicted, he said.

As Bengaluru has a close proximity with neighbouring states, including Tamil Nadu, there is a need for better coordination among the two states while tackling the drug menace, he added.

Gang of four bludgeons labourer to death

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Govindarajanagar police are on the lookout for a gang of four who bludgeoned a labourer to death in broad daylight on Friday.

The deceased Naresh, 35, ventured out of his house to get some sugarcane juice.

A few minutes later, his wife Mahadevi received a call informing her that Naresh was fighting with someone. By the time she rushed to the spot, Naresh was found dead in a pool of blood, said the police.

Investigations on

Based on the complaint, the police have taken up a case of murder and efforts are on to track down the accused. The body has been shifted to Victoria Hospital for post-mortem and the police are trying to ascertain the reason for the murder.

Shah's visit to Bengaluru throws traffic out of gear

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit to Bengaluru threw movement of traffic out of gear in several parts despite the police restrictions in place. Commuters reported traffic jams on Mysuru Road and Kengeri as a large number of buses carrying participants for Mr. Shah's programme started arriving on Friday morning. The police then started allowing the buses to pass through narrow residential roads, leading to chaos in those localities.

At Kommaghatta village on the outskirts , where the Minister was scheduled to lay the foundation for Sahakara Samruddhi Soudha and participate in a convention of beneficiaries of various schemes, vehicular restrictions obstructed the movement of school buses and other vehicles, inconveniencing students heading for exams.

An administrator of a school in Kengeri Satellite Town said, "Due to the Union Minister's programme, the police restricted vehicles on Kommaghatta Main Road. In the morning, school buses were late in reaching the school. We are conducting examinations for students, and they will end at 12.30 p.m. It is very difficult to send the students in school vans. From our school, we don't have a proper alternative to drop students to their homes. Therefore, we are planning to inform parents to take their children home."

A representative of another school management said, "We picked up students early today. But at noon, we don't have other options, unless we use alternate routes."

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ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ದ್ವಿತೀಯ ಕರೆ)

ಕೃಷಿ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಧಾರವಾಡದ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಆವರಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಜರುಗುವ ಸಮಾರಂಭಗಳಿಗೆ, ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ / ಸಮ್ಮೇಳನ / ವಿಚಾರ ಸಂಕಿರಣಗಳಿಗೆ ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ, ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿಗೆ, ಅತಿಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮಾಡಲು ಸೇವೆಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ದರಪಟ್ಟಿ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಆಹಾರ ಪೂರೈಕೆ ಮಾಡಲು ಅರ್ಹ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಗಳಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಮರು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವೇಳಾಪಟ್ಟಿ

1)	ವಿಚಾರಣೆಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ	25.03.2023	Upto	16.00 Hrs
2)	ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ	29.03.2023	Upto	16.00 Hrs
3)	ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಹಾಗೂ ವೇಳೆ	30.03.2023	@	16.30 Hrs

ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು e-procurement portal ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಂತೆ http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in online ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಕಚೇರಿ ಕೆಲಸದ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 0836-2214216/332 ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

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TAMIL NADU FIBRENET CORPORATION LIMITED,
(A Government of Tamil Nadu Undertaking)
TANFINET
e-Tender Notice

1	Tender Inviting Authority, Designation and Address	General Manager (Projects 1), TANFINET Corporation, 807, 5th Floor, P.T.Lee Chengalvaraya Naicker Maaligai, Anna Salai, Chennai-2.
2	a) Name of the work	Tender for Selection of Service provider(s) for providing MPLS VPN/ Internet Leased Line connectivity at BharatNet Point of Presence (PoP) on Rate contract basis
	b) Tender reference	NIT_TANFINET_011_ MPLS_ILL_SP
	c) Place of Execution	Tamil Nadu
3	Tender Document available place, cost for obtaining tender	**www.tntenders.gov.in** in the e-Tender portal. 24.03.2023 10:00 hrs.
4	Earnest Money Deposit amount	Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakhs only)
5	Due date, time, and place for submission of tender	10.04.2023, 04:00 hrs, as per the tender document
6	Place, Date and Time of tender opening	10.04.2023, 05:00 hrs, as per the tender document

General Manager (Projects 1), Tamil Nadu FibreNet Corporation Limited. **General Manager (Projects 1)**
DIPR/1869/Tendre/2023 'சோதனை கடந்து சுதந்திரம் அடைந்தோம் சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம்' **(Tender Inviting Authority)**

CITY CORPORATION VIJAYAPURA
No/CCV/PWD/EE/DM/TND/E-proc-/2022-23/
Dated: 23.03.2023

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM NOTIFICATION

Executive Engineer, City Corporation Vijayapur invites tenders from eligible tenders registered in KPWD for the **1) 10 works under Corporation Fund 2022-23, 2 and 2) 01 work under Day-Nulm Fund** Tenders are called in standard tender document through E-Procurement portal. For further details visit online web site **https:/www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**.
Last date for Tender submission: 31.03.2023

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
City Corporation, Vijayapura
DIPR/Vijayapur/1108/KSMCA/2022-23

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL,
MLI Division No-2 Babaleshwar- 586 113.
Phone:08355-283011
E-mail ID: eemli2babaleshwar@gmail.com
No: KBJNL/MLID-2/PB-4/Road-09 [07 Packages]/2022-23/2298
Date:21.03.2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement only)

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer, KBJNL MLI Division No–2 Babaleshwar, the under signed invites **tender on KW-2,3& 4** from KPWD Class-I & II contractor for 07 Nos of Road Works 1] Indent No.24308 for Rs. 66.71 lakhs [General Category],2] Indent No.24298 for Rs.132.17 lakhs [General Category], 3] Indent No.24299 for Rs.132.16 lakhs [General Category], 4] Indent No.24322 for Rs.15.20 lakhs [SC Contractor] 5] Indent No.24307 for Rs.25.41 lakhs [ST Contractor], 6] Indent No.24300 for Rs. 80.29lakhs [General Category] **&** 7] Indent No.24310 for Rs.42.26 lakhs [SC Contractor] and 02 Nos of works under Filling up of MI tanks O&M related 1] Indent No.23502 for Rs.46.54 lakhs [General Category], & 2] Indent No.23121 for Rs.32.50 lakhs [SC Contractor].

Issue and submission of E-tender documents

1] The Contractor can have access to e-tender document from **23.03.2023 to 01.04.2023** up to 5.00 PM. 2] Cover-1 [Technical bid] will be opened **on 03.04.2023 at 11.00 AM.3]** Cover-2 [Financial bid] will be opened **on 05.04.2023 at 11.00 AM.** In the office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, MLI Division No.2 Babaleshwar.

Further information about electronic tendering can be had from http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in or www.kbjnl.karnataka.gov.in and can be had from the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
KBJNL, MLI Division-2, Babaleshwar
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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that my client entered in to an Agreement of Sale dated 08/08/2022 with Sri Hanumaiah, Son of Doddaiah and others, registered as Document No.8636/2022-23 of Book-I, stored in CD No.DBPD1402, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Doddaballapura, Bangalore Rural, agreeing to purchase the Item No.I and II of the Schedule Property on certain terms and conditions. If any person/s or any entity/authority having any right, title and interest or objections over the Schedule Property may lodge their claims/ objections in writing supported by relevant documents to the undersigned within **15 days** from the date of publication. In case of non receipt of objections or claims within the aforesaid period my client shall presume that there are no claims / objections for purchase.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item No.I :
All that piece and parcel of land bearing **Survey No.142/3,** Old survey No.142/1A, measuring 01 Acre, situated at **Talagawara Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddabalapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District,** and bounded on the:-
East by : Land bearing Survey No.142/1A;
West by : Boundary of Galipuje Village;
North by : Land bearing Survey No.143/1B; and
South by : Land bearing Survey No.142/1B.

Item No.II :
All that piece and parcel of land bearing **Survey No.142/1A,** measuring 1 Acre situated at **Talagawara Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddabalapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District**, and bounded on the;
East by : Road;
West by : Land bearing Survey No.142/3;
North by : Land bearing Survey No.143/1B; and
South by : Land bearing Survey No.142/1B.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to the public at large that my client intends to purchase the Schedule Property mentioned hereunder from its present owner **Smt.M.Baby w/o T.K.Devaraju** residing at No.125, Near Maramma Temple Thindlu Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District. Smt.M.Baby w/o T.K.Devaraju has represented that she is the sole and absolute owner of the schedule property and she is not entered into any agreement of sale or any sort of arrangement with any persons further represented that she has not encumbered, mortgaged or created any lien on the schedule property in any manner and apart from her there are no other person/s having any sort of right, title, interest or claim over the schedule property.

Any person or persons asserting any charge, lien, right, title, agreement, interest or claim on the Schedule Property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the Schedule property or the documents thereof or against the owner or objection to such sale in favour of my client should file his/her/their/its objections or claims with supporting documents to the undersigned within **10 days** of the issuance of this public notice, after that my client shall proceed with the purchase of the schedule property on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential converted land bearing **Sy. No. 38/4,** measuring 1 Acre 16 Guntas, situated at **Gudigattanahalli Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District** and bounded on that :
East By : Land bearing Sy No.38/5;
West By : Land bearing Sy No.38/1;
North By : Land bearing Sy No.38/2;
South By : Land bearing Sy No.1 & Sy No.39.

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TENDER ALERT

1)E-Tender Call Notice No.ED-SZ-BAM-11/2022-23:- Bids are invited under two part bidding system for Supply of D G set 160 KVA & 82.5 KVA including Erection, Testing, Commissioning & Annual Maintenance Contract for 5 Years at an Estimated cost of the Package **Rs.1,69,76,796/-** under ED, Southern Zone, Berhampur.

2) E-Tender Call Notice No.ED-SZ-BAM-12/2022-23:-Bids are invited under single stage two envelope system for Construction of 3rd transformer Bay without supply of 01 numbers of new 132/33kV, 40 MVA Power transformer at 132/33kV Grid Substation, Umerkote under EHT O&M Division. Jayanagar at an Estimated cost of the package **Rs. 1,53,84,298/-** under ED, Southern Zone, Berhampur.

3)E-Tender Call Notice No.ED-SZ-BAM-13/2022-23: Bids are invited in e-tendering mode only under single stage two envelope system for **(i)** Construction of 01 number of 33kV Dedicated Feeder Bay at 132/33kV Grid S/S, Phulbani, Proposed for the Medical Campus at Phulbani at an estimated cost of the package **Rs. 48,95,318/-** . **(ii)** Construction of 01 numbers of Bay extenssion for fidding of dedicated 33kV Megalift feeder from 220/33kV Grid S/S,Govindpalli, Proposed for Saradaput Megalift point at an estimated cost of the package **Rs.75,85,759/-** under ED, Southern Zone, Berhampur.

Complete set bidding documents are available at **http://tenderwizard.com/OPTCL** & **http://www.optcl.co.in**. FIPR-84/2022-23
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CORRIGENDUM

This is to inform the general public, that we have released a Public Notice dated 24th March 2023, in respect of PUBLIC NOTICE we have made **Mr. VENKATESH S/o Mr. G. Kulanthaivelu** not Mr. VENKATESH S/o Mr. A. Kulavathaivelu and **in all Measuring 2400 Square Feet,** not in all Measuring 1200 Square Feet,

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Bangalore-43. M: 9845846428, 7204863700

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that, my client intends to purchase the Schedule property from its Owners: MS. ROSHNI Z SHOLAPURWALA and MS. DINAZ Z SHOLAPURWALA both daughters of MR. ZARIR H SHOLAPURWALA residing at: "Ahura" No.236/2/2, 10th Main, Opp to 6th Cross, Maruthinagar New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore-560075. Apart from the said Owners, if any other person/s have any manner of right, title and or interest or claim or charge or lien over the Schedule property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for sale of the Schedule Property by the aforesaid Owner, they are hereby called upon to file their objection/s in writing, along with the photocopies of documents on which they rely, with the undersigned, within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on my client.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No. 19, Khatha No. 355, New Municipal No. 355/19, PID No.057-W0502-20, BBMP New PID No. 83-43-355/19, situated at 10th Main Road, 6th Cross, Malleshpalya, Maruthinagar Extension, Kaggadasapura Dhakale, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (earlier Bangalore South Taluk) Old BMP Ward No.83, New BBMP Ward No.57, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 Feet in all measuring 1200 Sq.Ft. and bounded on:

East by : House No. 18, West by : House No. 20, North by : House No. 35, South by : Road.

S. Hemanth, Advocate
Hemanth & Associates
122, Margosa Road, Malleshwaram,
Bengaluru - 560003.
Date : 24 March, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the General Public that my client **Smt. C. R. NAGARATHNA,** W/o. N. Vishwanath, No. 130, 1st Cross, 1st Main, R.R. Layout, BTM 4th Stage, Bengaluru-560076 being the owner of below mentioned schedule property, had negotiated for sale and entered an agreement of sale dated: 04/12/2022 with **Sri. G.S. PRAKASH REDDY,** S/o. A. Narayana Reddy and **Smt. M.G. SARITHA,** W/o. Sri. G.S. Prakash Reddy, both are No. 1618, 25th 'A' Main, Sector-2, HSR Layout, Bengaluru- 560102. However the said persons failed to perform their part of the contract within the stipulated period of time and as such my client got issued Caution Notice them on 03/03/2023 and then issued another Legal Notice dated: 14/03/2023 and terminated/canceled said contract. In view of the same, the public are hereby intimated that the above persons do not have any right, claim or interest over the schedule property and as such not to deal with the said persons with respect to schedule property in any manner.

SCHEDULE

House property consisting of Stilt, Ground and First Floor, bearing **No. 1449,** BBMP Katha No. 3557/1449 situated at **Sector-2, Hosur-Sarjapura Road (HSR Layout), Bengaluru,** measuring East to West: 6.00 Mts. and North to South: 9.15 Mts., **totally measuring 54.90 Sq. Mtrs.,** now within the limits of BBMP and bounded on:

East by : Site No. 1448,
West by : Site No. 1450,
North by : Site No. 1425,
South by : Road,

(A.N. Krishna), Advocate,
#7, 2nd Floor, B.R. Ramu Building,
Diagonal Road, V.V. Puram, Bengaluru-560004.
Bengaluru Date : 24-03-2023

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"e"-Procurement Notice No. 64 /OCCL/2022-23 (on-line)
On-line tender is invited for the following work on EPC-Turn Key Basis:

Sl No.	Name of Work	Bid Identification No.	Approx. Value of work (Rs. in Crores) (excluding GST)	Bid Security (through on-line transfer / Bank Guarantee) (in Rs.)	Period of Completion	Availability of Tender (on-line)	Submission of tender (on-line)
01	Construction of Distribution System for 2885 Ha of CCA including Command Area Development (CAD) in 12 Nos. of MIP through UGPL System (Gravity Flow) in Malkangiri, Nabarangpur & Rayagada district of Odisha on EPC-Turn-key basis including Operation & Maintenance of complete commissioned project for 5 (five) years (Package-1)	OCCL-UGPL/ MI,Pkg-1/ 2022-23	Rs.80.49 Crores	Rs.80,50,000/-	24 (twenty four) Calendar months	From 27.03.2023, 03.30 PM to 10.05.2023, 5.30 PM.	From 27.03.2023, 03.30 PM to 10.05.2023, 5.30 PM.

Procurement Officer : Managing Director, OCCL
Date of Opening of the Technical Bid : 11.05.2023, 12.00 Noon
Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal : https://www.tendersodisha.gov.in
CAD-5261 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**
OIPR-34120/11/0058/2223

Lokesh

City constable selected to work in Indian embassy in Mexico

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A city constable working in the social media wing at the City Police Commissioner's office has been selected to work as a security assistant at the Indian embassy in Mexico. Lokesh H.M. had attended several rounds of interviews and tests before being selected for the job. Senior police officers congratulated Lokesh for his dedication and hard work.

A graduate in Communication, English and Computer Science, Lokesh joined the service a few years ago and worked in the social media wing at the commissioner's office. "He has actively coordinated many tasks during times of crisis, including the COVID-19 pandemic. He conducted numerous workshops on policing on social media and also on how to bust fake news. He was very helpful in giving timely inputs during crises and providing intel on maintaining law and order," a senior police officer said.

Appeal for reservation in employment, politics for Balijas

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Former Minister and vice president of Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee M.R. Seetharam, on Friday appealed to the State government that instead of announcing a separate Development Board for Balija Community, reservation in employment and politics should be extended to them. He termed the announcement of a separate development Board for the community an election gimmick, according to a release.

Stating that the Havanur and Chinnappa Reddy Commissions had included Balija Community in the Backward Classes section, he said it should continue in the same category. He said the community has been fighting for job reservation for many years.

TARANATH SHIKSHANA SAMSTHE, RAICHUR

Administrative Office : Station Road, Raichur-584101. Karnataka
Ph.: 08532-227779. E-mail : tssraichur1954@gmail.com

ಟಿಎಸ್ಎಸ್/ಪಮವಿ/ನೇಮಕಾತಿ/ಕಕ.ವೃ/ಮಿ.ವೃಂ/2022-23/109 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 25-3-2023

EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited for the posts of Assistant Professors in the aided degree colleges run by Taranath Shikshana Samsthe, Raichur (Direct Recruitment) of Kalyana Karnataka Region (KKR) and Non-Kalyana Karnataka Region (Non-KKR) for the following posts.

Kalyana Karnataka Region (KKR)

ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : 1. ಕಾಶಿಇ/95/ಹೈಕ/ಮೀಸಲಾತಿ/2016-17/ನೇವಿ-2 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 21-03-2023
2. ಕಾಶಿಇ/ಪ್ರಾಕಕ/1307/ಬಾಹುಭ/03/2022-23/4251 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 23-03-2023

Sl. No.	Subject	No. of Post	Reservation
1	History	01	Single Man Department Reservation not Applicable
2	Librarian	01	SC

Non-Kalyana Karnataka Region (Non-KKR)-State Group

ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : 1. ಕಾಶಿಇ/07/ಮಿ.ವೃಂ./ಬಾಹುಭ/ಗುವಿ/2018-19/ನೇವಿ-2 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 21-03-2023
2. ಕಾಶಿಇ/ಪ್ರಾಕಕ/1307/ಬಾಹುಭ/03/2022-23/4250 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 23-03-2023

Sl. No.	Subject	No. of Post	Reservation
1	History	01	Single Man Department Reservation not Applicable
2	Physical Education Director	01	Single Man Department Reservation not Applicable

QUALIFICATION : Candidates should have passed a Master Degree in the concerned subject with at least 55% marks or its equivalent grade (Schedule Caste / Scheduled Tribe - 50%). and NET/SLET/SET/Ph.D. with course work. Candidates obtained Ph.D Degree or registered for the Ph.D. Degree Program prior to dated 11-07-2009 shall be governed by the provisions of the UGC regulations dated 04-05-2016 must be satisfied. M.Phil. Qualification is not considered.

AGE LIMIT : As per the norms of the recruitment, the candidate should be within the minimum and maximum age limit (SC, ST, and CAT-I candidates maximum age is 45 and other backward classes maximum age limit is 43 and for General 40 years).

PAY AND ALLOWANCE : As per the UGC and Government Rules.

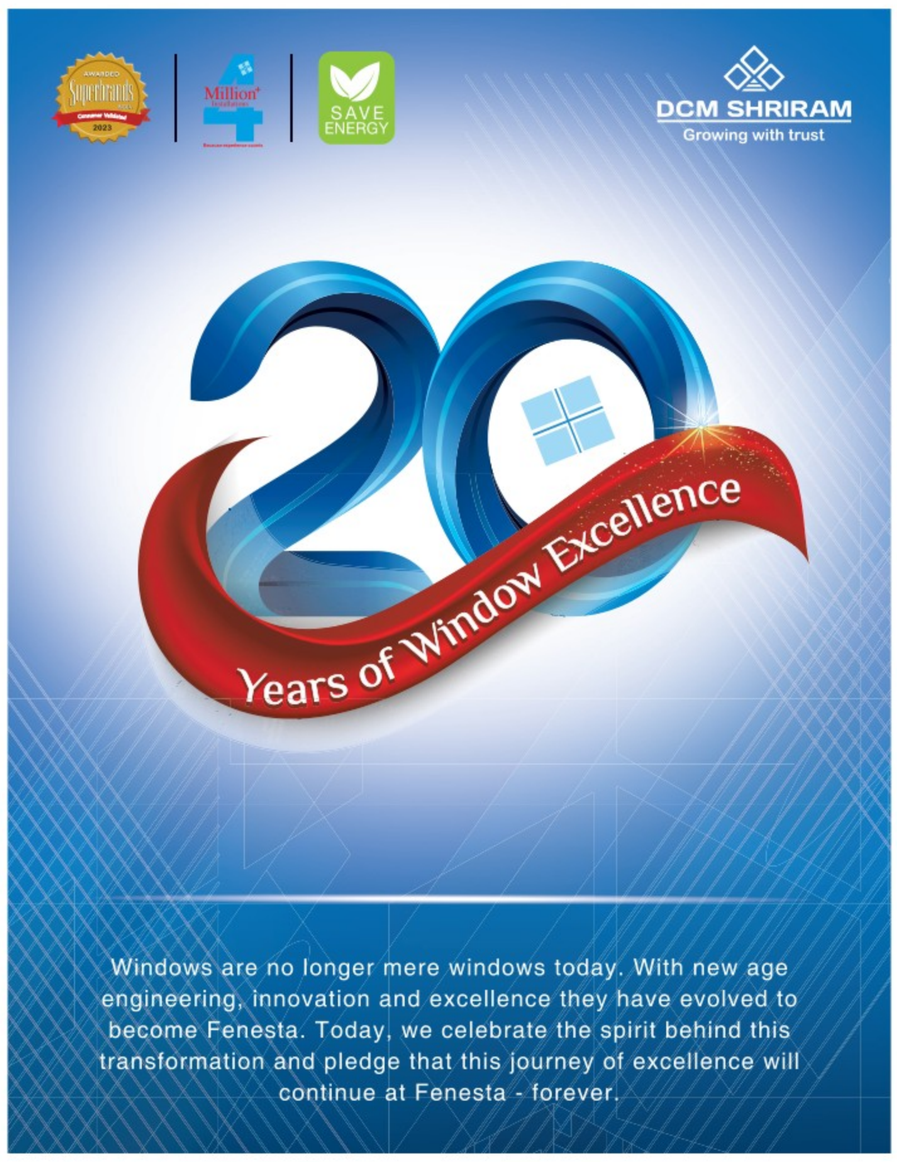
The Department or The Government shall have the power to cancel the permission given for the listing of vacancies and the selection process at any stage. Candidates will not have any right to claim for the vacancies just because of they have applied or appeared for the interview.

The candidates shall submit the application with all necessary attested copies (3 Sets) should reach to The General Secretary, Taranath Shikshana Samsthe, SSRG Women's College Campus Station Road Raichur-584101 Karnataka on or before 15-04-2023 by 04.30 PM. In person, Registered or Speed Post along with non-refundable application fee Rs. 2,000/- (Two Thousand Only) for GM candidates and Rs.1000/- (One Thousand Only) for SC/ST/CAT-I candidates in the form of DD payable in favor of The General Secretary, Taranath Shikshana Samsthe, Raichur. The post applied and Region (KK and Non-KK) should be clearly mentioned on the envelop.

NOTE : The candidates should submit one copy of the application to the Joint Director, Department of collegiate Education, Regional Office, Govt. Autonomous First Grade Degree College Campus, opposite to New RTO Office Gulbarga. on or before the last date mentioned above.

Sd/- **Nandapur Srinivas Rao**
General Secretary,
Taranath Shikshana Samsthe, Raichur

Sd/- **Parasmal Sukhani**
President,
Taranath Shikshana Samsthe, Raichur



Karnataka Rastriya Education Society

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Regd. No.: 48/78-79
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WANTED

Inviting Applications for the Posts of Assistant Professor in Aided Degree College.

In pursuance of the permission granted by the Commissioner Dept. of Collegiate Education, Bangaluru, order number ಕಾಶಿಇ/111/ಹೈಕ/ಮೀಸಲಾತಿ/2016–17/ನೇವಿ–2/308 ದಿನಾಂಕ 21-03-2023 and the Joint Director, Dept.of Collegiate Education, Regional Office, Kalaburagi, order number: ಕಾಶಿಇ/ಪ್ರಾಕಕ/1309/ಬಾಹುಭ/03/2022–23/4262 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23-03-2023, applications are invited from the eligible candidates from Kalyan Karnataka region for Direct Recruitment to the following vacant Posts of Assistant Professor in Karnatak Arts, Science and Commerce College, Bidar.

Sl. No.	Subject	No.of Posts	Reservation
1	English	02	SC-01, GM-01
2	Economics	02	SC-01, GM-01
3	Political Science	01	SC-01
4	Sociology	01	SC-01
5	Physics	01	SC-01
6	Zoology	01	SC-01
7	Mathematics	01	SC-01
8	Commerce	03	SC-01, GM-01 & ST-01

CONDITIONS:

1. **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION:** The candidates should have secured 55% or above marks in the subject concerned in Post Graduate examination, 50% and above marks for SC/ST candidates.
   The candidates should have qualified NET/KSET examination. The candidates with Ph.D.degree are exempted from NET/KSET examination provided required Ph.D.degree is with course work. If a candidate has acquired or registered for Ph.D.degree before 11-07-2009, he/she will be subject to the conditions laid down by the UGC in its notification dated 04-05-2016. For any recruitment, M.Phil.degree obtained after 11-07-2009 will not be considered.
2. The candidate should enclose certified copy from the concerned authority for claiming Kalyan Karnataka Region Reservation.
3. The candidates are required to submit the duly filled application along with necessary attested copies of documents within 21 days from the date of this notification, by Registered/Speed Post to "THE PRESIDENT, KARNATAKA RASTRIYA EDUCATION SOCIETY, BIDAR-585401" The envelope containing the application should have the title "APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF....."
   GM/OBC candidates should enclose a DD of Rs.2000/- while SC/ST candidates a DD of Rs.1000/- drawn in favour of **President, Karnataka Rastriya Education Society, Bidar.**
4. **AGE LIMIT :** As per the Govt order dated 20.06.2018:ED/49/ UPC/2018 the age limit for the candidates belonging to SC/ST is 45 years, for OBC is 43 years and for GM is 40 years.
   RELAXATION IN AGE LIMIT: For the candidates having full time teaching experience in their respective subjects in private aided colleges, the relaxation in age limit will be equal to the period for their teaching experience or 05 years which ever is less. The relaxation in age limit will be granted to the candidates after their teaching experience certificates are duly attested by the Joint Director, Collegiate Education Department, Regional Office, Kalaburagi.
5. The candidates can download the requisite application proforma from the website: www.kascc.in.net.
6. Pay Scale and Salary will be as per the norms of UGC and Govt.of Karnataka.
7. The candidates already serving at Aided Institutions are supposed to submit their application through proper channel with No Objection Certificate.
8. Incomplete applications and applications received after the last date will not be considered.
9. At any stage of the selection process the department/Govt has power to cancel the sanction and selection of the said post(s). Submission of application and appearing for the interview will not constitute any right for appointment.
10. The candidates should submit one copy of their application to the Joint Director, Department of Collegiate Education, Regional Office, Government Degree College Premises-Kalaburagi.
11. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview.

Date:-24-03-2023

Sd/- **PRESIDENT**
K.R.E.Society,Bidar

Shri Narendra Modi
Hon'ble Prime Minister

Connecting Namma Metro to the IT Corridor

Inauguration of
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to
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by
SHRI NARENDRA MODI
HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER

Shri Basavaraj S. Bommai
Hon'ble Chief Minister

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Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot
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Shri Basavaraj S. Bommai
Hon'ble Chief Minister
Government of Karnataka

Shri Hardeep Singh Puri
Hon'ble Minister for Housing & Urban Affairs and Petroleum & Natural Gas,
Government of India

Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman
Hon'ble Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs
Government of India

Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar
Hon'ble Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship and Minister of State for Electronics & Information Technology,
Government of India

Shri B.A. Basavaraja (Byrati)
Hon'ble Minister
for Urban Development
Government of Karnataka

Shri Aravinda Limbavali
Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly
Mahadevpura Constituency

All MPs, MLAs & MLCs of Bengaluru City

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M BG-BGE

Proposal sent to State govt. to rename road in city after Ambareesh

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), the administrative body in charge of civic amenities in the Greater Bengaluru metropolitan area, has sent a proposal to approve the long-pending request to name Racecourse Road in the city after actor Ambareesh.

The Kannada film star and politician passed away in 2018.

His wife, actor-turned-politician Sumalatha, had recently announced support to the BJP and the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi as an Independent MP from Mandya constituency.

Officials confirm

BBMP officials confirmed that a proposal has been sent to the Urban Development Department and BBMP Administrator recently to change the name of the stretch from Government Ramnarayan Chellaram College to Maurya Circle and Anand Rao Circle to Ambareesh Road within a week.

While an official said that the request had come from the Karnataka Film Chamber of Commerce a few months ago, then corporator Umesh Shetty had also proposed at a BBMP council meeting in 2018 that Racecourse Road be renamed after Ambareesh. The late actor was passionate about horse racing and had been a popular member of the Bangalore Turf Club. In February last year, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai had laid the foundation for a memorial for Ambareesh at the State-owned Sree Kanteerava Studios in Bengaluru.

Celebrating ancient literature

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Kamala Hampana Sahitya Vedike and Karnataka Jainbhavan are jointly organizing a two-day celebration of the ancient literature from Saturday. 101-year scholar Prof. C. Mahadevappa will be felicitated by Gururaj Karjagi, Na. Someshwara and Jayaram Rayapura.

Kannada poet and playwright H.S. Shivaprakash will inaugurate the even at Karnataka Jain Bhavan, K.R. Road, Shankarapuram at 10 a.m.

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I, Rohini Ashok Bhat W/o Kodangala Ashoka Bhat R/o No. 008, GF, Manito Northlite, Ananthapura Main Rd, yelahanka, Singanayakanahalli B'luru 560064 have changed my name to Rohini for all purposes

I, Manjala Kamakshi W/o M Narasimha Raju R/o #61, 3rd Main, Amarajothi Layout, C N Halli, Rt Nagar B'luru-560032 have changed my name to Manjula Kamakshi for all purposes

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. No. 25395/2022
BETWEEN :
M/S ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001
Represented by its officer of Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Promod G, Aged about 46 years, S/o. Mr. Gurumallappa
...PLAINTIFF
AND:
MS. G RADHA
D/o. Mr. Gangappa
15, Nisarga Layout,
Sathar Sabi, Dinne Jigani,
Near Paridevatika Layout,
Anekal, Bangalore- 560105
...DEFENDANT

Summons to Defendant

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 7,23,227.65/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Seven and paisa Sixty Five Only)** apart from future interest of 10.50% p.a., in **O.S. No. 25395/2022** and same is pending adjudication in CCH 29, Before Addl. City Civil Court,Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 30 Day of May, 2023 at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.
Give under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the **17th day of March, 2023**

By the order of court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall
BENGALURU- 560 001

FX & CO.,
ADVOCATES,
New No. 9, Old No.11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
BENGALURU- 560 005.

BEFORE THE NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL BENGALURU BENCH
COMPANY PETITION (CAA) No. 12/BB/2023
C/W
COMPANY APPLICATION (CAA) NO. 55/BB/2022
IN THE MATTER OF SECTIONS 230 TO 232 AND OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013
AND
IN THE MATTER OF SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN
AVIRAL CROP SCIENCE PRIVATE LIMITED ("Demerged Company")
AND
CRYSTAL CROP PROTECTION LIMITED ("Resulting Company")
AND
THEIR RESPECTIVE SHAREHOLDERS AND CREDITORS
BETWEEN:
1. AVIRAL CROP SCIENCE PRIVATE LIMITED
A Company incorporated under Companies Act, 1956, having its registered office at 320/02, Flower Garden, K.H. Ranganatha Colony, Opp. BHEL, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026
Represented by Mr. Ajay Kumar Gupta, Email id:info@aviralcrop.com
Phone Number:011-49007100
...PETITIONER/DEMERGED COMPANY
2. CRYSTAL CROP PROTECTION LIMITED
A Company incorporated under Companies Act, 1956, having its registered office at 206, 2nd Floor, Span Trade Centre, Opp. Kochrab Gandhi Ashram, Near Paldi Char Rasta Ashram Road, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad–380006
...NON PETITIONER/ RESULTING COMPANY
AND
NIL ...RESPONDENT

NOTICE OF PETITION

A Petition under Section 230 to 232 of the Companies Act, 2013, for sanction of the Scheme of Arrangement between Aviral Crop Science Private Limited and Crystal Crop Protection Limited and their respective shareholders and creditors was presented by the Petitioner on 10.03.2023 before the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Bengaluru Bench and the said petition is fixed for hearing before the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Bengaluru Bench on 01.05.2023.
Any person desirous of supporting or opposing the said Petition should send to the Petitioner's Advocate at the address given herein below, notice of his intention, signed by him or his Advocate with his name and address, so as to reach the Petitioner's Advocate not later than two days before the date fixed for the hearing of the Petition. Where he seeks to oppose the Petition, the grounds of opposition or a copy of his affidavit shall be furnished with such notice. A copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any person requiring the same on payment of the prescribed charges for the same.
Sd/-
Advocate for the Petitioner
Uday Shankar Associates
Advocates & Legal Counsels,
Fortune Chambers, 1st Floor, No. 8, Lalbagh Road, Richmond Circle, Bengaluru-560027
E-mail Id : uday@udayshankarassociates.com and corporate@udayshankarassociates.com
Ph: +080 4141 0007/0006
Place : Bengaluru
Date : 25.03.2023

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF 73rd ADDL. HON'BLE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BENGALURU [CH-74]
O.S. No. 25587/2021
BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd
Having its branch office at 4/10., Mythri Tower Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road, Bangalore- 560 068
And represented by its Collection Manager
Mr. Pramod G. ...Plaintiff
And
Mr. Anuvansh ...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT
To,
Mr. Anuvansh
S/o Naresh Sharma
Aged about 28 Years
R/at No. 66, Shobha Avenue Doddathoguru, Electronic City Phase-I, Bangalore-560100
Also at : No.75, Vill-Dandama The-Dadri, Dist-Bhiwani Near Ganesh Temple Haryana- 127030

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted the above proceedings against you seeking recovery of **Rs.3,20,332.02** as on **12/04/2021** along with interest 24% P.A and other consequential relief. You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble **City Civil Judge, Mayo hall at Bangalore (CH-74)** in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above proceedings on **24-05-23** at **11.00 AM,** take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned before the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Court, this 14th day of March, 2023.

BY ORDER OF THE HON'BLE COURT
ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
ANVAYA LAW
ADVOCATES AND CONSULTANTS
First Floor Indian Express Building No. 1, Queens Road, Bengaluru- 560 001

IN THE COURT OF THE 73rd ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-74)
O.S. NO. 26934/2022
Between
ICICI Bank Limited,
Having its Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara - 390 007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051 and its branch office at Mythri Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore - 560 068
Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa ...Plaintiff
And
Mr. Shaik Ibrahim
...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT
To,
Mr. Shaik Ibrahim,
S/o. Mr. Shaik Imran,
Aged about 54 years, No.34, Rock Areas, 3rd Cross, 4th Main, Jayamahal, R T Nagar, Bangalore - 560 032
WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of **Rs. 4,20,036/- (Rupees Four Lakh Twenty Thousand Thirty Six Only)** together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendant hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble 73rd Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-74) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on 25/05/2023 at 11:00 a.m. failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.
Give under my Hand and Seal of the Court on this **16th day of March, 2023.**

BY ORDER OF
THE HON'BLE COURT
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
CITY CIVIL COURT
MAYOHALL UNIT,
BANGALORE

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
SA Associates,
No.10, 7th Cross,
Victoria Layout,
Bangalore - 560 047

IN THE COURT OF THE 57th ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-58)
O.S. NO. 25012/2021
Between
ICICI Bank Limited,
Having its Registered office at Land Mark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai- 400 051 and its branch office at Mythri Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa ...Plaintiff
And
Sri. Shetra Jagadeesha
...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT
To,
Sri. Shetra Jagadeesha,
S/o Sri. Shetra Malleshappa,
Aged about 38 years, No. 15/15, Ground Floor, 15th Main, 21st A Cross, Muniswamppa Layout, Kurubanahalli, JC Nagar, Bangalore North, GM Public School, Bangalore- 560086
WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of **Rs. 3,53,857/- (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Seven Only)** together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendant hereby summoned to appear before the **Hon'ble 57th Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH - 58)** in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on **22.05.2023** at **11.00 a.m.** failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this **13.03.2023**

BY ORDER OF THE HON'BLE COURT
DEPUTY REGISTRAR, CITY CIVIL COURT, MAYOHALL UNIT, BANGALORE

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
SA Associates,
No.10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore- 560047

IN THE COURT OF THE 74th ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-75)
O.S. NO. 26877/2022
Between
ICICI Bank Limited,
Having its Registered office at Land Mark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390 007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400051 and its branch office at Mystree Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068
Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa ...Plaintiff
And
Mr. Kalandar A ...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT
To,
Mr. Kalandar A
S/o Mr. Alam Saheb,
Aged about 27 years, No.780, Vijaya Lakshmi Nilayam, 1st Floor, 2nd Main Cross, Hongasandra Krishna Reddy Apartment, Bangalore- 560068
WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of **Rs. 3,52,974/- (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Four Only)** together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendant hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble 74th Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-75) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on **30-05-2023** at **11:00 a.m.** failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this **17/03/2023.**

By Order of The Hon'ble Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court Mayohall Unit, Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
SA Associates,
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IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. No. 26152/2021
BETWEEN :
M/S ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001
Represented by its officer of Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Promod G,
Aged about 46 years,
S/o .Mr. Gurumallappa
...PLAINTIFF
AND :
MR. AJIT KUMAR
S/o. Mr. Arun Kumar Srivastava No. 36, 12th Cross, 1st Main, Kenderi Satellite Town, Near Axis Bank, ATM Govind PG Bangalore-560060
...DEFENDANT

Summons to Defendant

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 4,14,000.79/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Fourteen Thousand and paisa Seventy Nine Only)** apart from future interest of **18.00%** p.a., in **O.S. No. 26152/2021** and same is pending adjudication in CCH 29, Before Addl. City Civil Court., Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the **25th day of May, 2023** at **11 A.M.** to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.
Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the **17th** day of **March, 2023.**

By order of the court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayo Hall
Bengaluru- 560 001

FX & CO., ADVOCATES,
New No. 9, Old No. 11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
Bengaluru- 560 005.

IN THE COURT OF ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE (CCH-75)
O. S. NO. 25132/2022
BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001
Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Pramodh G. ...Plaintiff
V/S
Mr. Arun N ....Defendant

Summons To Defendent

Mr. Arun N,
S/o. Mr. Narayana Swamy,
Aged About 45 Years,
No. 277/278, 6th Cross, Garden Villas, Nagarbhavi Road, Bangalore- 560072.
Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 4,10,200.53/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Ten Thousand Two Hundred and Paise Fifty Three Only)** apart from future interest of 13.99 % p.a., in **O.S. No. 25132/2022** and same is pending adjudication in CCH 75, Before Addl. City Civil Court. Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 23rd day of May, 2023 at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.
Give under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the **13th day of March, 2023.**

By the order of court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall
BENGALURU- 560 001

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ADVOCATES,
New No. 9, Old No.11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
BENGALURU- 560 005.

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. No. 25359/2022
Between
M/S. ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001
Represented by its officer of Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Promod G,
Aged about 46 years,
S/o. Mr. Gurumallappa
...Plaintiff
And
Mr. Durgappa Yadunandan,
S/o. Mr. Durgappa
No. 6, G Floor, 20th Main, Revenue Layout, Padmanabha Nagar, Bangalore- 560070
...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 12,23,697.47/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Seven and paisa Forty Seven Only)** apart from future interest of 9.50% p.a., in **O.S. No. 25359/2022** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH 29,** Before Addl. City Civil Court. Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the **30th day of May, 2023** at **11:00 A.M.** to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence. Exparte.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this **13.03.2023**

By Order of the Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court Mayohall
Bengaluru- 560001

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Bengaluru- 560 005

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. No. 25829/2022
Between
M/S. ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001
Represented by its officer of Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Promod G,
Aged about 46 years,
S/o. Mr. Gurumallappa
...Plaintiff
And
1. MR. NAVEEN V
No. 109, 1st Floor, Shop No.1, Near Samudaya Bhavana, Ayyappa Nagar, Main Road, Chikka, Bangalore- 560036
2. MS. G. SARITHA
Billerahalli, Kysamballi, Bangarpet Kolar- 563121
...Defendants

Summons to Defendant No. 1

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 17,84,174.32/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Eighty Four Thousand One Hundred and Seventy Four and paisa Thirty Two Only)** apart from future interest of 13.50% p.a., in **O.S. No. 25829** and same is pending adjudication in CCH 29, Before Addl. City Civil Court Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the **31st day of May, 2023** at **11:00 A.M.** to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence Exparte.
Given under my hand and seal of the court on this the **17th day of March, 2023.**

By Order of the Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court Mayohall
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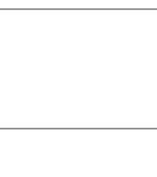
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IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. No. 25361/2022
BETWEEN
M/S. ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001
Represented by its officer of Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Promod G,
Aged about 46 years,
S/o. Mr. Gurumallappa
...PLAINTIFF
And
MS. NEELAVATHI
D/o. Mr. Swamy
House No. 4/3, 4th Cross, Dattathreya Nagar, 43 Bus Stop, BSK, 3rd Stage, Bangalore- 560002
...DEFENDANT

Summons to Defendant

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 6,14,078.34/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Fourteen Thousand and Seventy Eight and paisa Thirty Four Only)** apart from future interest of 14.50% and 10.26% p.a., in **O.S. No. 25361/2022** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH 29**, Before Addl. City Civil Court Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the **31st day of May, 2023** at **11:00 A.M.** to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence. Exparte.
Given under my hand and seal of the court on this the **17th day of March, 2023**

By Order of the Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court Mayohall
Bengaluru- 560001

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Gover Road, Cox Town,
Bengaluru- 560 005.

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BANGALORE (CCH 75)
O.S. No. 25824/2022
BETWEEN :
M/s ICICI Bank Limited
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001
Represented by its officer of Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Promod G, Aged about 46 years, S/o. Mr. Gurumallappa
AND :
1. Mr. Mahesha S.K.
S/o. Krishne Gowda
No. 21, Kantalaxmi Nilaya, 10th Cross, RMV 2nd Stage, Jalageramma Bangalore-560094

Summons to Defendant No.1

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 10,99,760.10/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Ninety Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty and paisa Ten Only)** apart from future interest of **13.2%** p.a., in **O.S. No. 25824/2022** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-75,** Before Addl. City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the **30th Day of May, 2023** at **11 A.M.** to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.
Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the **17th** day of **March, 2023.**

By order of the court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayo Hall
Bengaluru- 560 001

FX & CO., ADVOCATES,
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Gover Road, Cox Town,
Bengaluru- 560 005.

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ADVOCATE,
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CHANGE OF NAME

I, SREENIVASULU Reddy Kodidini, R/a No 4097, Vimalalaya hospital, Hebbagodi electronic city, Bangalore - 560100 have changed my minor Son's name from Gopal to Gopal Kodidini vide affidavit dt: 16.03.2023 sworn before Notary A.R.Muneer Ahmed, B'lore.

I Parthasarathy Prathap Menon alias Parthasarathy P Menon S/o S Prathap, residing at #150 Brindavan Apts, 2 Nd Floor, Ags Layout,Near Isro, New Bel Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560094, have changed my name to Parth Menon for all purposes in future

I, RAGHUTHAMAN K, Father of Ranjith K resident of No 16,8th Street, 7th cross,Jogupalaya,Bengaluru–560008 have changed my name from Raghuthaman K to Raghuthaman E P vide affidavit dated 23–03–2023 before A R Muneer Ahmed Reg no: 4932 Bengaluru Metropolitan area (IN–KA21567005086891V)

I, JISHA Talukdar,R/O No 209,Alpha Emerald Apartment,Patel Muniswamappa Layout,Hennur Bagalur Main Road, Kothanur, Bangalore– 560077,have changed my name as Jisha Talukder vide afdvt dtd 21/03/2023.

I, Savitha Deepak Kishan Tejwani D/O, Srinivas R/o # 702, 7th Floor, Hoysala Apartment, Cunningham Road Bangalore 560032. have changed my name to Savitha Deepak Tejwani for all purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF 74th ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. NO. 26518/2021
BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001
Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Pramodh G. ...Plaintiff
And
Mr. Deepu Kumar N
...Defendant

SUMMONS
Mr. Decpu Kumar N
S/o. Nagaraj, Aged about 37 years, 33, MS Layout, Channanayakana Palya, Near Church Doddabidarakallu, Bangalore- 560073.
Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 3,87,361.54/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty One and Paise Fifty Four Only),** together with interest at the rate of **14% p.a.,** in **O.S. No. 26518/2021** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH 75,** Before Addl. City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 31st day of May, 2023 at 11 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.
Given under my hand and seal of the court this the 13th day of March, 2023.

By order of the Court,
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall,
BENGALURU- 560 001

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IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. NO. 26526/2021
BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001
Represented by its officer of and Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Pramodh G. Aged about 46 Years, S/o. Mr. Gurumallappa ...PLAINTIFF
And
1. Mrs. AZMATH UNNISA
Prop. of Adam Construction
Aged 41 Years, 1st Floor, No.19, 1st Cross, Bhuvaneswar Nagar, RT Nagar, Bangalore-560032
2 Mr.DADA PEER
Prop. of Masha Allah Construction, Manjunatha Layout, Smt. Andalamma Mension, Bangalore-560032
DEFENDANT NO. 1 And NO. 2

Summons to Defendant No. 1 and No. 2

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 6,44,953.72 (Rupees Six Lakh Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Three and paisa Seven Two only)** apart from future interest of 18% p.a., in **O.S. No.26526/2021** and same is pending adjudication in CCH 58, Before Addl. City Civil Court. Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 22nd day of May, 2023 at 11 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.
Given under my hand and seal of the court this the 16th day of March, 2023.

By order of the Court,
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall,
BENGALURU- 560 001

FX & CO.,
ADVOCATES,
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BENGALURU- 560 005

IN THE COURT OF HON'BLE IV ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL AT BENGALURU (CCH 21)
O.S. NO. 25507 OF 2021
BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited
Having its branch office at 4/10, Mythri Towers Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road, Bangalore- 560 068
And represented by its Collection Manager
Mr. Pramodh G. ...Plaintiff
And
Mr. Liyakath Ali Pathan
...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT
Mr. Liyakath Ali Pathan
S/o. Shazada No. 385, 39th D Cross, 4th Block, 8th Main MTB Area Maithri Apartments, Jayanagar Bangalore- 560 041
Whereas the Plaintiff had instituted the above proceedings against you seeking recovery of **Rs. 7,15,810.72/-** as on 28th March, 2021 along with interest 24% p.a. and other consequential relief. You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble City Civil Judge Mayo Hall at Bangalore **(CCH 21)** in person or by a pleader, duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above proceedings on **05/06/23** At **11:00 A.M.,** take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned before the suit will be hears and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of the court this 18th day of March, 2023.

By order of the Court,
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall,
Unit, Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE
O.S. No. 25323/2022
BETWEEN
M/S ICICI BANK LIMITED
Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001
Represented by its officer of Power of Attorney Holder
Mr. Promod G, Aged about 46 years, S/o. Mr. Gurumallappa ...PLAINTIFF
AND :
Ms. Madri S. Suchitra
D/o. Mr. Madiri Devananda Aged 34 years MS Suchitra Alpine Homes, Flat No. 103, No. 48, Anthony Road, Bangalore- 560084
...DEFENDANT

Summons to Defendant

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 7,87,840.09/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty and paisa Nine Only)** apart from future interest of **9.70%** p.a., in **O.S. No. 25323/2022** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-29,** Before Addl. City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the **22th day of 04, 2023** at **11 A.M.** to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.
Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the **17th** day of **March, 2023.**

By order of the Court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayo Hall
Bengaluru- 560 001

FX & CO., ADVOCATES,
New No. 9, Old No. 11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
Bengaluru- 560 005.

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- 2, B.S.N.L. BUILDING, 4th FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJBHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU-560001
O.S. NO. 1900/2020
Between
ICICI BANK LTD
Mittal Tower, M.G.Road.
BANGALORE- 560001
...Plaintiff
And
D2. Mr. C. Mahesh
S/o. Dodda Chowdappa, Residing at No.585. 6th Cross, 10th Main, HAL 3rd Stage, Opp. Miranda School, Bangalore- 560075.
...Defendant

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an application Under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against you for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 31,14,242.03/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Forty Two Paisa Three Only)** together with current and future interest and other relief's. The above Defendant is therefore. hereby directed to before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on 21/07/2023 at 10.30 A.M., as to why relief's prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this tribunal on this 1st day of March 2023.

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Five trends in luxury real estate

Thanks to available land in the suburbs, developing projects with modern infrastructure in conjecture with nature becomes a selling point, says **Yuvraj Rajan**

Luxury real estate enthusiasts are curious about what this year holds. With the last few years spent in an economic lull, the real estate sector was forced to take a step back in time. Owing to a shortage of resources, labour, and the economic downfall, this was a period of reconsideration and innovative thinking for developers globally.

When we look at patterns in luxury real estate investment in 2022, high-net-worth individuals, who account for the majority of luxury real estate investors, have been moving to metropolitan regions. It is clear that this demographic, with its amassed wealth, is not only concerned with themselves, but also with generations to come. Also dominating the domestic real estate market are NRI investments, with them showing a preference for investing in long-term assets versus stocks and fin-tech. Adding to this, Baby Boomers (i.e. the population born between 1945 and 1964), significantly influence the luxury real estate market. Since their transition to retirement from 2010, the focal points of their interest include luxurious family homes and secondary homes.

As a result of this fast-growing, consistent and reliable market base, 2023 looks promising. Here are five luxury real estate trends to look out for this year:

1. Location-centric

A prime location always takes precedence when it comes to luxury properties. However, homebuyers are now increasingly shifting focus towards properties that offer not only prime location, but everything desired as a package. Offering the best of amenities, coupled with the convenience of access to almost everything – properties that serve all your needs under one roof.

2. Space and feel

Central-living has for the longest time been synonymous with living in denser and smaller homes. With spacious avant-garde interiors being one of the many features of luxury real estate, it comes as a breath of fresh air for urban investors looking for their dream homes. Our lifestyles are changing dramatically, and smaller homes don't always support interests like gardening, fitness, and hosting family and friends. Living spaces that are also illuminated with natural light, are ventilated, and furnished to the best of taste benefit their occupants in a host of ways.

3. Security solutions

Security and safety have always been as pivotal to buyers as they have been to developers. Measures such as appointing security guards, installing exterior cameras and having security fences have been commonplace for decades now. However, with the introduction of advanced security solutions like facial recognition, motion-sensors, fire alarms and the like, the perception of 360° safety is evolving among buyers. Feeling safe in one's home is key to feeling comfortable in it.

4. Rising RSH culture

A hike has been seen in the popularity of Retirement & Second Homes (RSH) such as farmhouses, row houses, and vacation homes. Ankur Gupta, JMD, Ashiana Housing, says, "Today, the elderly appreciate and choose premium living with modern amenities. Until a few years ago, they were not keen on luxury; a comfortable and safe existence mattered more than anything else. The current trend is about seniors wanting to live in the suburbs in premium homes. Their desire for calm, community living and even solitude is met here. Privacy and security come as a bonus. In 2023, with the economy hopefully expanding, this trend is likely to continue."

Mohit Nirula, CEO, Columbia Pacific Communities, supports the view. "With senior living communities, the expectations are not so much around the product as it is around amenities, services, and facilities. The three basic criteria a well-managed senior living community should fulfil are a zero-headache lifestyle, 100% peace of mind, and engaging activities for them to stay heathy in mind and body."

5. Sustainability focus

The importance of development excellence that is also operational excellence is encouraging leading developers to seek greener buildings. Being ecological is no longer just about the Three R's. Offering homebuyers environmentally conscious features has become more of a necessity than a trend. Not just the developers, homebuyers are also shifting focus towards green living. Modern homeowners and buyers consider natural ventilation, solar panels and water harvesting systems while buying a house. Sustainable architecture aims to increase energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve indoor air quality and reduce noise levels. These environmental practices not only help the planet, but also have physical and psychological benefits in store for us. Of which, improved air quality, water and energy efficiency and natural temperature regulation are just a few.

The writer is Director, Raiaskaran.

With inputs from Subajayanthi Wilson.

In the centre of all the action

Luxury homebuyers now understand the importance of living a high-quality life. A number of natural and social factors today influence their attitudes toward luxury real estate investment, their standard of living, as well as the facets that they find desirable. However, the need to live in the centre of all the action tops it all. In the current luxury housing market, large homes with advanced safety features are in demand.

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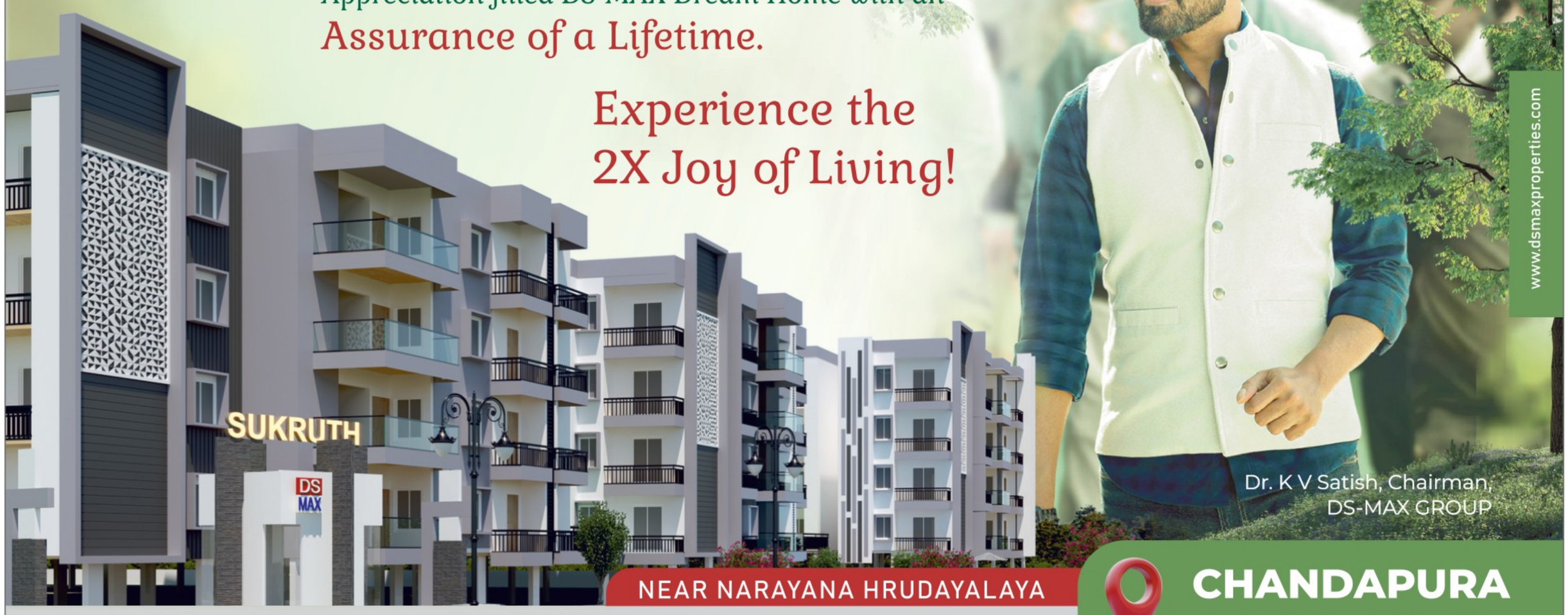

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Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Department

Office of the Chief Engineer, RWS&SD, First Floor, "E" Block, KHB Complex, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560 009, Ph: 080-22533700, e-mail: cerws14@gmail.com

No:RDP/RDWSD/32/CE/Tech/2022-23/PMC Date: 24-03-2023

SHORT TERM TENDER INVITATION

Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Department, Govt. of Karnataka invites tender in e-Procurement Portal from eligible bidders in two cover system (Technical and Financial bid) for **Providing Project Management Consultancy Services for Implementation of Drinking Water Supply Facilities to Ilanthila and other 209 Habitations in Belthangady Taluk of Dakshina Kannada District & Providing Water Supply Scheme to Kutrupady and other 131 Habitations in Kadaba Taluk of Dakshina Kannada District on** DBOT basis under Jala Jeevan Mission.

The last date for submission of bids through e-portal is **10-04-2023 before 4.00 PM.** EMD Amount is **Rs.2,90,000/-.**

Sd/- Tender Inviting Authority
RDW&SD, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/BCPL/5463/2022-23

MANGALORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka undertaking)
O & M Circle, "Shakthi Soudha", Bondel, Mangalore - 575015
Ph: 0824-2425888 CIN: U40109 KA 2002 SGC 030425

No: NO: SEE/MNG/EE(O)/AEE-2/2022-23/11739-740 Dated: 23.03.2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-Procurement Portal Only)

MESCOM invites tenders from eligible bidders for following service

Tender No	Description
MESCOM/SEE/MNG/2022-23/11739	Repair of failed 5 MVA Power Transformer of 33/11KV Attavara Sub Station, Attavara Sub division, Mangaluru Division.
MESCOM/SEE/MNG/2022-23/11740	Repair of failed 5 MVA Power Transformer of 33/11KV Subramanya Sub Station, Subramanya Sub division, Puttur Division.

The bids will be received through e-procurement portal only. The detailed tender notification information can be obtained by logging on to **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **28.03.2023.** Any further details can be obtained from the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superinteding Engineer (Ele), O&M Circle, Mangalore

For Power Related Complaints & Assistance Call Toll Free Number 1912

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer(Lakes-Mahadevpura), Room No.306, 3rd Floor, Annex Building-3, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-560 002.

No: EE-(MDP-Lakes)/Tend-17/2022-23 Date: 24.03.2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Lakes-Mahadevpura) invites tenders from eligible tenderers for the works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approx. Value of work (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakh)
1	Providing trenchless pipe for diversion at Vengaiahna Kere.	50.00	1.00

(1) Tender documents may be downloaded from GOK e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in 2)** Pre-bid Meeting : **05.04.2023 at 3.00 p.m. 3)** Last date for receipt of Tenders : **10.04.2023 upto 4:00 p.m. 3)** Opening of Technical Bids : **11.04.2023 at 4.30 p.m.** Further details can be obtained from the above office during office hours & also from website: **www.eproc.karnataka. gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Lakes-Mahadevpura)

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGCS025521)

No:SE(E)/Tr(M)/BRAZ/EE/AEE-2/F-76/22-23/7568 Date: 24.03.2023

TENDER NOTIFICATION (e-Procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites tenders for the following works coming under the jurisdiction of TR(M.), BRAZ Circle, KPTCL, Bengaluru.

Enquiry No.: KPTCL/SEE/TR(M)/BRAZ/66kV CTs/EPR-742 & 66kV PTs/EPR-743 dtd: 24.03.2023 for Design, Manufactue, Testing and Supply of:

(1) 43 Nos. of 66 KV Class Current Transformers (0.2 Accuracy), 31.5kA Rating of different ratios (with Marshalling Boxes and without Mounting Structures).

(2) 25 Nos. of 66kV class potential transformer (0.2 Accuracy) 31.5KA 66kV/√3/110V/√3-110V/√3-110V/√3 **confirming to KPTCL Technical specification .F.O.R.D at store/site basis including insurance, transportation and unloading on Two-Part Basis.".**

The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink **"e-Procurement-KPTCL"** or **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **27.03.2023.**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, (Elec.), Transmission (Maintenance), BRAZ Circle, KPTCL, UAS Campus, Hebbal, Bengaluru-560024, Ph: 080-23415347.

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

Office of the Executive Engineer, Jayanagar Division, 39th Cross, 18th Main, Jayanagar 4th "T" Block, Bangalore-560041
Ph:8022975711, E-mail : eejayanagarbbmp@gmail.com

No.E.E.(JN)/DM/e-proc/12/2022-23 Dated: 24-03-2023

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER

(Through e-Procurement Portal GOK website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Executive Engineer Jayanagar Division, BBMP, Bangalore invites lenders from eligible Contractors registered in Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD or any State Government Organisations for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Approximate value of work (Rs.in Lakhs)	EMD (In Rs.)
1	Maintenance of BBMP Buildings in ward No 194 Gurupanapalya. **Reservation:** Others.	20.00	50,000/-
		Period of Complication : 1 year	
2	Improvements of roads and other developmental works in 8th Cross in Bismillah nagar in Ward No: 195 Tilak Nagar. **Reservation:** SC	20.00	25,000/-
		Period of Complication : 3 Months	
3	Improvements of roads and other developmental works M Cross and N cross in Bismillah nagar in Ward No: 195 Tilak Nagar. **Reservation:** Others.	20.00	50,000/-
		Period of Complication : 3 Months	
4	Maintenance of BBMP Offices and Toilets in ward No. 197.(Old ward no 179). **Reservation:** SC	20.00	25,000/-
		Period of Complication : 1 year	

Calendar of Events: 1) Tenders must be submitted online through the e-procurement portal on before 03-04-2023 by 16:00 hrs. 2) Bids will be opened on 05.04.2023 @ 16:05 hrs.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Jayanagar Division

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Public Works Department
Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi

No/PWD/CKD DIV/AE-3/TENDER/2022-23/8663 DATE: 23/03/2023

Short Term E-Tender Notification

Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi has invited item wise short term e-Tenders from Eligible registered contractors for the works coming under the jurisdiction of Chikodi PWD Division 6 works under head of account 5054-MDR Improvements, 1 work under head of account 5054-MDR Bridge Improvements & 1 work under head of account 3054-MDR Maintenance. Totally 8 No. of works. Amount put to tender is minimum of Rs. 77.93 Lakhs and maximum of Rs. 240.00 Lakhs.

Calendar of events for the works at Sl No. 1, 4, 7 & 8: 1)Pre-bid meeting date: 27-03-2023 at 11.00 AM, at The O/o the under signed. 2)Last date for queries & clarifications : 28-03-2023 up to 5.30 PM, 3)Last Date of Receipt of Bids : 30-03-2023 up to 5.00 PM, 4)Date of opening of Technical bids (Two Cover System): 01-04-2023 at 4.30 PM, 5)Date of opening of Financial bids (Two Cover System):"after approval of Technical bids"

Calendar of events for the works at Sl No. 2, 3, 5 & 6: 1)Pre-bid meeting date: 28-03-2023 at 11.00 AM, at The O/o the under signed. 2)Last date for queries & clarifications : 29-03-2023 up to 5.30 PM, 3)Last Date of Receipt of Bids : 31-03-2023 up to 5.00 PM, 4)Date of opening of Technical bids (Two Cover System): 03-04-2023 at 4.30 PM, 5)Date of opening of Financial bids (Two Cover System): "after approval of Technical bids"

For more information & forms of tender can be downloaded from www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in & departmental web site www.kpwd.gov.in. Further details can be collected from O/o Executive Engineer Public Works Dept.,Division Chikkodi during working hours.

Sd/-Executive Engineer
PWD Division Chikodi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-2148/KSMCA/2022-23

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DISTRICT URBAN DEVELOPMENT CELL
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,BELAGAVI DISTRICT, BELAGAVI

Telephone no:0831-2407279 E-Mail:dudc_bgm@yahoo.co.in

No: BGM/DUDC/5/CR-25/2021-22 Dated: 24-03-2023

Short Term Tender Notification

The Executive Engineer, District Urban Develoment Cell, Belagavi District invites tender in one and two cover system using KW-1, 2 & 3 Document for Belagavi District under Chief Minister Amrut Nagarothana (Municipality) Phase-4 Project works as detailed below:- **(Rs. in Lakhs)**

Sl. No	Description of works	Amount Put to Tender (Excluding GST)	Earnest Money Deposit
1	Construction of TMC Office Building in TMC Munavalli limits (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/BD/WORK_INDENT140812/Call-2).	80.50	1.61
2	Construction of Library, Angan wadi and Toilet Works in TP SHEDBAL limits. (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT143177/Call-4).	66.30	1.33
3	Construction of Road, Drain and Development of Burial Ground Works in TP KABBUR limits. (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT143184/Call-3)	66.19	1.32
4	Construction of Road and Drain Works in TP BORAGAON limits. (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT143174/Call-3).	66.26	1.33
5	Construction of Road, Drain and Toilet Works in TP KALLOLI limits (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT143084/Call-2).	66.33	1.33
6	Construction of Drain in TP Channamman Kittur limits (Incentive Grant). (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT145017/Call-2)	83.76	1.68
7	Construction of Compound Wall to Burial Ground in Town Panchayat KANKANWADI limits (Incentive Grant).(Tender No. DMA/2022-23/BD/WORK_INDENT145698/Call-2)	21.10	0.50
8	Construction of Over Head Water Tank (OHT) in TP Kabbur limits (Tender No. DMA/2022-23/ RD/WORK_INDENT144166/Call-2)	16.90	0.42

Contractors can download and submit the tenders through e-Procurement portal at www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Calendar of Events and other information are as follows:

Last Date for submission of tenders	31-03-2023 up to 17.30 hrs.
Date of Opening of Tenders (Technical Bids)	01-04-2023 at 17.31 hrs.

Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only through e-Procurement portal and will not be published in newspapers.

Sd/-EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Distirct Urban Development Cell, Belagavi

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-2146/KSMCA/2022-23

Government of Karnataka Zilla Panchayat,

Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Chikkamagaluru

Ph.: 08262-220936 e-mail: zpedckm@rediffmail.com

Short-Term Tender Notice No.: AE/20/2022-23 Date: 21.03.2023

Short-Term Tender Notice

Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Chikkamagaluru invites Tenders through e-procurement related to works of Mudigere and Koppa Taluks in Chikkaballapura District. Maximum Approx. Amount of work is Rs. 300.00 lakhs and Minimum Approx. Amount is Rs 15.00 lakhs. Details of capability to undertake or of having implemented the works should be attached as per Standard Tender Document KW-1&4. For the said works the documents downloaded from e-procurement can be filled and uploaded from 21.03.2023 to 06.04.2023 up to 5.00 PM. If possible the Technical Bid will be opened on 10.04.2023 at 11.00 AM. If possible the Financial Bid will be opened on 17.04.2023 at 11.00 AM. If these days are declared as holidays then the next day will be considered. Notice can be read on www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in Further details can be obtained by contacting the case worker during office hours

Sd/-Executive Engineer
Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Chikkamagaluru

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Office of the Executive Engineer, Shimoga Division, Shimoga

Email: eepwdsmg@gmail.com

Phone & Fax No 08182-274942 Dtd:24-03-2023

No.EE/PWD/Smg/AE-3/IFT-82/2022-23 Date: 24.03.2023

Short Tem TENDER NOTIFICATION (Call-2)

Tenders ar invited in Two Cover System in e-procurement from reupted agencies satisfying the eligibility criteria, for preparing Land Plans of the State Highway noted below in Karnataka. The tender documents including the eligibility criteria can be downloaded from e-procurement portal onwards the below mentioned dates.

Two cover System

Head of Account 3054-03-337-0-05-200 SH Maintainace

Sl. No. 1. Name of work: Conducting Land Plan survey for balance length of State Highways under 1 PWD Divisions Shivamogga, Shimogga Special and Chikkamagalur Division (I.No:160599) (Call-2)

Estimate Cost Rs. in Lakhs: 251.00

Tender dates are as mentioned below:

1. Late Date & time for Tender Queries/Clarifications: 30-03-2023 Time:17-30 **2.** Last Date & time for receipt of tenders: 01-04-2023 Time:16-00 **3**. Date & time for opening of Technical Bid: 03-04-2023 Time:16-01

4. Date & time for opening of Financial Bid: 05-04-2023 Time:11-00

Further details can be obtained from this office and please contact e-Procurement Helpdesk (+91 80 46010000 +91 80 68948777) or email at support @eprochelpdesk.com. e-Procurement Cell Contact Numbers: 080-22371090; 080-22340060; 080-22340948

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Public Works Department Division, Shimoga

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is intent to purchase the schedule property from **B.Nanjundegowda** S/o **B.Laxminarayanagowda**, resident of Banahalli Village, Kaivara Hobli, Chintamani Taluk, Chikkaballapura District, person/s having any kind of right, title or interest over the property or any objections may write to the undersigned within **15 days** with documentary proof. Objections are not received in time my client will proceed further as if no objections from public.

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Bengaluru
Date: 23.03.2023

A. Muniraja, BA.,LLB.
Advocate
New Airport Road [N.H.7]
[Western Service Road]
Hunasamaranahalli,
Bengaluru-562157

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD DIVISION KALABURAGI

No: EE/PWD/DIV/KLB/TS-6/Tender Notification/2022-23/10797 Dated: 21.03.2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

1) Name of Work: Executive Engineer PWD Division Kalaburagi Invites tender (KW - 3) for 8443 of 01 work of Indent No: 168390 tenders are called through e-procurement for the year 2022-23, 2) Estimated Cost: **Rs. 100.00 Lakhs**, 3) Amount Put to Tender: **Rs. 84.70 Lakhs**, 4) Eligibility of Contractor: "PWD, Registered Contractors: "Class-I Qualified to tender for works upto any amount, "Class-II Qualified to tender for works upto Rs. 5.00 Crores, "Class-III Qualified to tender for works upto Rs. 2.00 Crores, "Class-IV Qualified to tender for works upto Rs. 25.00 Lakhs", 5) Tender fees and EMD details: Application Fees as per e-procurement EMD Rs. 1,69,000.00, 6) Last date for queries: **27/03/2023 upto 17.30 Hrs** 7) Last date for submission of tender: **28/03/2023 upto 16.00 Hrs.,** 8) Date of opening of Technical Bid: **29/03/2023 at 16:30 Hrs.,** 9) Date of opening of Financial Bid: **30/03/2023 at 11.00 Hrs,** 10) Enquiries: Office of the Executive Engineer PWD Division Kalaburagi, 11) website : **www.e-proc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
PWD Division Kalaburagi

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GULBARGA ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED

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Corporate Office, GESCOM, Kalaburagi, Pin Code.585 102.
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No.GESCOM/CEE(O)/SEE(Proj)/EEE/AEE/AE-2/2022-23/64508-19 Date: 23-03-2023

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-procurement Mode only)

Gulbarga Electricity Supply Company Limited, Kalaburagi invites tender for the work of "Augmentation of existing 1x5MVA, 33/11kV Mudbi Sub-Station by providing additional 1x5MVA Power Transformer with 1IC+2F+1CB in Basavakalyana Taluk Bidar District along with Construction of **5Kms of 11kV Link Lines on Partial Turnkey Basis (Power Transformer will be supplied by GESCOM)"** including supply of all equipment's/ materials, erection, Civil Works, testing and commissioning under competitive bidding from eligible bidders through e-procurement portal.

1) Tender Enquiry Nos. : **No:GESCOM/CEE(O)/SEE(Proj)/EEE/AEE/AE-2/2022-23/Mudbi/418.,** 2) Name of Company : **GESCOM**

The bid documents will be available in http:/eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after **27.03.2023** the prospective bidders can obtain further details from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Chief Engineer Electy., (Operations), Corporate Office, GESCOM, Kalaburagi.

DIPR/Kalaburagi/1574/MC&A/2022-23

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರಕಾರ
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಉಡುಪಿ

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂ: ಕಾಇಂ:ಪಂರಾಇಂವಿಉ:ಟೆಂಡರ್ ನಂ.32/2022–23/ಎಇ–2/ ದಿನಾಂಕ:21–03–2023

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್ ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿe-procurment portal ನಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿಮಾತ್ರ)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಉಡುಪಿ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್ ರವರಿಂದ 2022–23 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ "5054–ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿ ವಿಶೇಷ ಅನುದಾನ, ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಗೊಂಡ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 80.87 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳ 01 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್ ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು (Standard Tender Documents for Procurment of Works)ನ ನಿಭಂದನೆಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸಿದ ಅರ್ಹದರ್ಜೆಯ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್ ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕದಂದು Government of Karnataka e-procurement portal WEB site. https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ಆನ್ ಲೈನ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

1. ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ನಿಗದಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 21.03.2023 ರಿಂದ 28.03.2023 ಬೆ.11.00 (AM) ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
2. ಟೆಕ್ನಿಕಲ್ ಬಿಡ್ಡುಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 29.03.2023 ರ11.01 (AM) ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ.
3. ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡುಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30.03.2023 ರ11.00(AM) ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ

ಇನ್ನಿತರ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳು, ಇಎಂಡಿ ವಿವರ, ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮತ್ತು ಷರತ್ತುಗಳನ್ನು ಹಾಗೂ ಟೆಂಡ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳನ್ನು ಅಥವಾ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್ https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಛೇರಿಯವರಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

E-proc portal helpdesk: 080–22371090/22373788
Hphelpdesk.blr@intarvo.com

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಉಡುಪಿ.

VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED

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EE, VJNL, UBP, Division No.01, Kadur-577548
E-mail: eeubpdvn1@gmail.com Ph.Np: 08267-295207

N:EE/VJNL/UBP/D-01/K/Tender-12/KTF/2022-23/1622 D:20.03.2023

SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION (only through E-PROCUREMENT SYSTEM)

The Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP, Division No.01 Kadur invited tender through e-procurement Dated:20-03-2023 on behalf of the Managing Director, Visvesvaraya Jala Nigam Ltd, Bangalore for 18 works. The Contractors can download and submit the completed bid documents through e-procurement website www.erpoc.karnataka.gov.in from 20-03-2023 to 28-03-2023 upto 17.30 hours. Details such as Name of work/Amount put to tender/qualification of Bidders/ Tender conditions/Tender processing fee etc can be obtained through e-procurement or from the office of the under signed during the office hours upto 24-03-2023 up to 17.30 hours. The tender will be opened on 29-03-2023 @ 17.40 hours at the office of the Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP, Division No.01 Kadur through e-procurement.

The authority competent to accept the tenders shall have the right of rejecting all or any of the tenders without assigning any reasons.

Sd/- Executive Engineer

DIPR/ckm/No.326/mca/22-23/2227

Government of Karnataka

PUBLIC WORKS, PORTS & INLAND WATER TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CHAMARAJANAGARA DIVISION, CHAMARAJANAGARA

Phone/Fax : 08226-222027 e-mail : eecnr@kpwd.gov.in / pwdeechngr@gmail.com

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-Procurement portal only)

(Two Cover System : Section-1-Technical Bid and Section-2-Financial Bid)
Tender Notification No. 38/2022-23 Dated : 21.03.2023

Item rate tenders are invited through e-procurement portal only on behalf of Governor of Karnataka from Eligible registered civil Contractor in KPWD in Standard Bid document **KW-3,** form The Total no of works is 1, **H/A :- 5054-04-337-0-01-154 MDR Improvements** maximum estimated cost is Rs. 55.00 lakhs, Further changes in this Notification will be Published in E-Procurement only. Date of events as follows :

Date and Time for downloading the tender document from the e-procurement portal	From 23-03-2023 to 29-03-2023 upto 16.00 Hrs.
Date & Time for opening of Technical bid	31-03-2023 after 16.00 Hrs.
Date & Time for opening of Financial bid	01-04-2023 after 16.00 Hrs.

More information can be had from the web site: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** & Any other details required can be obtained from office of the under signed during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD Division, Chamarajanagar

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Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

Office of the Executive Engineer, Bommanahalli Division, Begur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru-560 068.

No.BBMP/EE/BD/Tend-17/2022-23 Date: 24-03-2023

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) (KW-4)

(Short Term Tender Notification) (Single and Two Cover Tender)
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal Only)

The Executive Engineer, Bommanahalli Division, BBMP, Bengaluru-68, invites tenders from eligible Contractors registered or equivalent resistration with BBMP/KPWD/ CPWD/BWSSB/MES/Railways/National Highway or any State Govt. Organisations for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the work & Category	Approximate value of work (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD in Lakhs. (One Lakh to be transferred through e-Portal & remaining amount to be provided in the form of BG/DD/FDR)
1.	Construction work of RO drinking water plant in Bandepalya Village of BBMP, Bommanahalli Zone. **(Others).**	**15.00**	**30,000/-**
2.	Construction, Maintenance and repairs to Specially abled friendly Toilets and Ramps in Public Offices in Bommanahalli Constituency AC-175, (5th Call). **(Others).**	**33.00**	**66,000/-**
3.	Maintenance and Repair works to PHC Buildings in Bommanahalli Constituency AC-175, (3rd Call). **(SC).**	**35.00**	**35,000/-**
4.	Development Programmes to Economically Backward Classes in Bommanahalli Constituency AC-175, (3rd Call). **(Others).**	**55.00**	**1,10,000/-**
5.	Basic Infrastructure Programmes (Community Programmes) in Bommanahalli Constituency AC-175, (3rd Call). **(Others).**	**66.50**	**1,33,000/-**
6.	Maintenance and repairs to Zonal Level Office Buildings in Bommanahalli Constituency AC-175, (3rd Call). **(Others).**	**20.00**	**50,000/-**
7.	PHC Maintenance and Repairs (in Bommanahalli Constituency area), (3rd Call). **(Others).**	**50.00**	**1,00,000/-**
8.	Providing Security, Attender & Scavengers Etc., for Bommanahalli Zonal Office & Others Offices in Bommanahalli Zonel, (2nd Call), **(Others).**	**200.00**	**3,00,000/-**

Calendar of Events: (1) The tender document can be downloaded from the e-procurement portal from dated: **28-03-2023. (2)** The pre-bid meeting will be held on **29-03-2023 at 11:00 a.m. (3)** Last Date for submission of tender documents on or before **03-04-2023 at 4:00 p.m. (4)** Technical / Financial Bids will be opened on **04-04-2023 after 4:30 p.m.** onwards. **(5)** This tender Notice can also be seen on the BBMP website: www.bbmp.gov.in Further particulars can be obtained from the above office during working hours on working days or from **website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-, Executive Engineer, Bommanahalli Division, BBMP.

Department of Treasuries
5th & 6th Floor, KPCL Green Building, Palace Road, Bengaluru-560 001.
Phone No. 080-22867700, Fax : 080-22860142

No.COT/PRO/43/2022-23 Date: 18-03-2023

RFP for Procurement of Firewall

Department of Treasuries invites tender for **"Procurement of Firewall".**

Tender details are available at the e-Procurement platform & tenders shall be submitted electronically at **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

DIPR/CP/AAPL/RO5436/22-23 **Sd/- Commissioner of Treasuries.**

Government of Karnataka
(Water Resources Department)
Advanced Centre for Integrated Water Resources Management (ACIWRM)
1st Floor, KSFC Bhavan, #1/1,
Thimmaiah Road, Bengalore-560 052.

No.ACIWRM/CE/MP/2022-23/1089 Date: 23-03-2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE-CALL-2
Tender No: ACIWRM/CE/MP/2022-23/01 Dt: 2/3/23/Call-2
(Through e-Procurement Portal Only)

Government of Karnataka, Advanced Centre for Integrated Water Resources Management (ACIWRM) under Water Resources Department, invites percentage tender to supply manpower services through outsource in Two cover system from eligible Tenderer/Agency/Firm for **"Supply of Manpower Personnel of different category to ACIWRM, Bengaluru".** For more details, visit e-Procurement portal **https://eproc. karnataka.gov.in** from **24-03-2023.**

The details are also available on **www.waterresources.karnataka.gov.in** and **https://aciwrm.karnataka.gov.in.** Any clarification can be sought at the following mail ID **registrar@aciwrm.org.**

DIPR/CP/AAPL/RO5453/22-23 **Sd/- Registrar/Chief Engineer ACIWRM, Bengaluru**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನೀರಾವರಿ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ
(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಉದ್ಯಮ)
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಚೇರಿ ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ಮಬದಕಾನಿ ವಿಭಾಗ ನಂ. 3 ಬ್ಯಾಹಟ್ಟಿ. ತಾ:: ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ, ಜಿ: ಧಾರವಾಡ 580023.
e-mail :- knnl@knnlindia.com ಫೋನ್ :0836-2315225 ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್:2315226.
Website:- www.knnlindia.com e-mail :-eemrbcc3byt@gmail.com

ಸಂ.ಕನೀನಿನಿ/ಮಬದವಿ-3/ಎ.ಇ-2/ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ/2022-23/3374 ದಿನಾಂಕ:24/03/2023

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (3ನೇ ಕರೆ) (ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ)

ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು, ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ರವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರ್ ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ಮಬದಕಾನಿ ವಿಭಾಗ **ಸಂ.3,** ಬ್ಯಾಹಟ್ಟಿ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ **4701 SCP TSP** ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ ಅಡಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ನಮೂದಿಸಿರುವ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ ನಂಬರಿನ **03** ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ **(3ನೇ ಕರೆ)** ಶೇಕಡಾವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಏಕಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ ಮೂಲಕ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

Work Indent No :-35317,35320,35824(3ನೇ ಕರೆ)
ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ: ರೂ.5.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು ಗಳಿಂದ ರೂ.15.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು
ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಮೊತ್ತ:- ರೂ.12,500/- ಗಳಿಂದ ರೂ.37,500/-

ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: **04/04/2023** ರ **4.00 pm** ತನಕ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **06/04/2023** ರಂದು ಮುಂಜಾನೆ: **11.00 am** ರಿಂದ. ಹಾಗೂ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿವಾರು ಇತರೆ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವೆಬಸೈಟ್ ಮುಖೇನ **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ಮೂಲಕ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಚೇರಿ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 0836-2315225 ನ್ನು ಕಚೇರಿಯ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/-ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು
ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ಮಬದಕಾನಿ ವಿಭಾಗ ನಂ. 3 ಬ್ಯಾಹಟ್ಟಿ

ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಇ/ಧಾ/1322/2022-23/ದೇಶಪಾಂಡೆಪಬ್ಲಿಸಿಟಿ

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, ALBC Division,Almatti-586201.
Tq:B.Bagewadi Dt: Vijayapur. Phone:08426-281044,

No:KBJNL/ALBC-DN/DM/TND/POW works/2022-23/3410
Date: 21.03.2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement only)

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer KBJNL, ALBC Division Almatti the under undersigned invites tender on **Percentage basis** in Two cover system in **KW-4** documents from **KPWD Class-I** registered contractors for the work **Construction of road Bridge to dy-13A & repair works**. **Indent No. 23235**. Approx. amount put to tender: **Rs. 224.50 lakhs**.

The contractor can have access and submission of completed e-tender document of from **24.03.2023 to 01.04.2023** up to 5.00 pm. The Cover –I (Technical & Financial bid) will be opened in the under signed office on **03.04.2023** at 11.00 AM. The Cover –II (Financial bid) will be opened in the under signed office on **05.04.2023** at 11.00 AM

The rights of acceptance/rejection of tender at any time, without giving any reason had with undersigned. Further information about electronic tendering can be had from http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/eportal/ines.seam and www.kbjnl.karnataka.gov.in and can be had from the office of undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, ALBC Division, Almatti

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ವಿಜಯಪುರ/1119/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/2022-23

Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Bagalkot
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
Room No. 126, Navanagar, Bagalkote.
Phone : 08354 - 235042, E-mail : bgkeezpe@yahoo.com

No: EE/PRED/BGK/PB-3/Vivek//Tender/22-23/6142 Date : 24-03-2023

SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Two Cover System) (KW - 3 Bid Document)

Tender Called for the Work in the above notification through E-mode tendering is read as below.

Item rate Tender under **Two Cover Bid System** is invited as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement ACT 1999 and Rules 2000 Standard Bid Document KW - 3 through Public electronic Tendering System E-Tender from Class-1 contractor (Civil) registered in KPWD, Who have got adequate financial resources, State of Technology, Suitable Construction equipments technical man Power & Sufficient past Experience for the following Work as per Schedule given Below.

Tender Called for 2022–23 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಬೀಳಗಿ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಕ್ಕೆ ಮಂಜೂರಾದ ರೂ. 10.00 ಕೋಟಿ ವಿಶೇಷ ಅನುದಾನದಡಿ ಆಯ್ಕೆಯಾದ ಶಾಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿನ ಭೋದನಾ ಕೊಠಡಿಗಳ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣದ ಅನುದಾನ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯ್ಕೆಯಾದ ಬೀಳಗಿ ವಿಧಾನ ಸಭಾ ಮತ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ, ಬಾದಾಮಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಬೀಳಗಿ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯ್ಕೆಯಾದ ಶಾಲಾ ಕೊಠಡಿ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ / ದುರಸ್ತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ.

Scheme Under Work Indent No. : 101563/Call-2, 101558, 101562 read as below.

CALENDAR OF EVENT

1) Request of blank Tender Documents and receipt of Completed Technical & Financial Bid through e-procurement Date : 24-03-2023 to 11-04-2023 at 5.30 p.m. 2) Opening of Technical Bid Date : 13-04-2023 at 11.00 a.m. 3) Opening of Financial Bid Date : Technical Bid Approved.

Note : More details can be obtained through website **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact the below signed Office during the office hours. **Phone : 08354 - 235 042.**

DIPR/Bagalkote/1045/Manipal/2022-23 **Sd/- Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Bagalkote.**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿ, ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ

No.ZPB/ADMIN-1/85/2022.23 DATE: 24.03.2023

TENDER

Procurement Details: Providing Man Power Out Source Services to vacent post in ZP Line Departments, ballari. Tender No. ZPB/ADMN-1/85/2022-23. Amoutn Put to Tender: Rs. 220.00 Lakhs. Last Date and Time for receipt of tenders: 20.04.2023@04.00PM.

More information visit e- procurement official website address: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Deputy Secratary (admin) and Tender Inviting Authority Zilla Panchayat, Ballari

DIPR/Ballari/1072/KSMCA/2022-23

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT MODE ONLY)

No.SEE/TWM/SMG/EE(O)/AEEE-1/2022-23/F-Tender/9714-721 Dated : 23.03.2023

K.P.T.C.L. invites tenders through e-Procurement mode from the reputed Electrical Contractors possessing Super Grade Electrical contractor License having PF registration for the following works of

1) Tender No.: KPTCL/2022-23/EL /WORK_INDENT10497 for Replacement of 1x6.3MVA, 66/11kV Power Transformer by 1x8MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformer and 1x8MVA, 66/33kV Power Transformer by 1x12.5MVA, 66/33kV Power Transformer at 66/33/11kV Sub Station Balehonnuru in Chikkamagaluru Nodal Centre, N.R. Pura(T), Chikkamagaluru (D) (Allied Works Only).

2) Tender No.: KPTCL/2022-23/EL /WORK_INDENT10496 for Replacement of 1x8MVA, 66/11 KV Transformer by 1x12.5MVA, 66/11KV Transformer at 66/11KV Hiremagaluru sub-station in Chikkamagaluru Taluk, Chikkamagaluru District on Partial Turnkey Basis (Allied Works Only).

3) Tender No.: KPTCL/2022-23/EL /WORK_INDENT10492 for Replacement of existing 1x10MVA, 110/11 KV Power Transformer-1 by 1x20MVA, 110/11KV Power Transformer-1 at 110/11KV Sub Station, ALKOLA in Shivamogga Taluk in TL&SS Division, KPTCL, Shivamogga.

4) Tender No.: KPTCL/2022-23/EL /WORK_INDENT 10510 for Replacement of Six Nos. of age old / Obsolete ABB & CGL Make 220kV SF6 Circuit Breakers by new M/s Crompton Greaves make 220kV CBs at 220KV MRS, Shivamogga.

5) Tender No.: KPTCL/2022-23/EL /WORK_INDENT 2371 for Providing Nitrogen Injection Fire Extinguishing System to 220/66KV 100MVA No.3 EMCO Make Power Transformer at 220KV MRS, Shivamogga.

No.SEE/TWM/SMG/EE(O)/AEEE-2/2022-23/F-Tender/9723-728 Dated : 24.03.2023

6) Providing Additional 1X10MVA, 110/11KV Power Transformer at existing 110/11KV Sub-station at Bejjuvalli in Thirthahalli Taluk, Shivamogga District on partial Turnkey Basis.

7) Creating 33KV Reference by providing additional 1x20MVA, 110/33kV Power Transformer at 110/11kV Sub-Station Kammaradi in Thirthahalli (T) in Shivamogga (D) on Partial Turnkey Basis.

For detailed Information and to participate in the tender through e-procurement mode please visit our website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** hyperlink "e-procurement" or directly you can access the tendering website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **11.00 AM on 25.03.2023.** Any other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele.), Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Prasarana Bhavana, MRS Colony, Shivamogga-577203.

GULBARGA UNIVERSITY, GULBARGA.
Administrative Building "Jnana Ganga", GULBARGA - 585 106 Karnataka,
Phone: (08472) 263202 Fax. (08472) 263206

No.GUK/ENGG/Tender/2022-23/943 Date : 23-03-2023

TENDER NOTIFICATION TWO BID SYSTEM
(THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT ONLY)

1) Name of Work : Cleaning and Sweeping of toilets and clearing of blocked drainage pipe lines at Gulbarga University campus & P.G. Center campus, Bidar, 2) Amount put to tender : **Rs. 74.00 Lakhs,** 3) Head of A/c : "1006", 4) Contractors / Agencies : Registered contractors / agencies, 5) Date of pre bid meeting : **10-04-2023 Registrar office,** 6) Tender form fee and EMD amount : As per e-procurement portal, 7) Last date for uploading tender : **12-04-2023at 4.00 PM,** 8) Date of opening of technical bid: **15-04-2023at 4.00 PM,** 9) Address for Enquiry : Registrar Gulbarga University Kalaburagi, 08472-263202, 10) Website : www.eproc.Karnataka.gov.in, 11) Work indent No. : **GU/2022-23/OW/Work Indent 290**

DIPR/Kalaburagi/1581/MC&A/2022-23 **Sd/- Registrar Gulbarga University, Kalaburagi**

ಕೃಷ್ಣಾ ಭಾಗ್ಯ ಜಲ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ
(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಉದ್ಯಮ)
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಕೃಭಾಜನಿನಿ, ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು ವಿಭಾಗ, ನಾರಾಯಣಪೂರ ತಾ:ಹುಣಸಗಿ

KBJNL/DDN/PB/AWP-2022-23/ 2025 Dated:- 24.03.2022

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು, ಕೃಷ್ಣಾ ಭಾಗ್ಯ ಜಲ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ ಆಲಮಟ್ಟಿ/ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕೃಭಾಜನಿನಿ, ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು ವಿಭಾಗ, ನಾರಾಯಣಪೂರ ಅಡಿ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಗೊಂಡಿರುವ Indent No. 24075, 24278 ರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿ ಟೆಂಡರು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 1982 ದಿನಾಂಕ **20-03-2023** ರ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ Single E-Document System ಹಾಗೂ ಟೆಂಡರು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂ 1983 ಹಾಗೂ 1985 ದಿನಾಂಕ **20-03-2023** ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ Indent No. 24440, 24454 ಹಾಗೂ 24128 ರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ Two E-Document System ನ ಶೇಕಡಾವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/eportal/ines.seam** ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, Qualification criteria ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿರುವಂತೆ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿರುವ ಅರ್ಹ ದರ್ಜಿ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಭಾಗವಹಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ.	ವಿವರ	ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ
1)	ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು ವೀಕ್ಷಿಸಲು ಹಾಗೂ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ	ದಿ:**24.03.2023** ರಿಂದ **01.04.2023** ಸಂಜೆ **5.00** ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
2)	ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ (ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಕೃಭಾಜನಿನಿ, ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು ವಿಭಾಗ ನಾರಾಯಣಪೂರ ಇವರ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ)	ದಿ:**28.03.2023** ಮುಂಜಾನೆ **11.00** ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
3)	ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ	ದಿ:**01.04.2023** ಸಂಜೆ **5.00** ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
4)	ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ (ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಕೃಭಾಜನಿನಿ, ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು ವಿಭಾಗ ನಾರಾಯಣಪೂರ ಇವರ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ)	ದಿ:**03.04.2023** ಸಂಜೆ **5.30** ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
5)	ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ (ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಕೃಭಾಜನಿನಿ, ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು ವಿಭಾಗ ನಾರಾಯಣಪೂರ ಇವರ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ)	ದಿ:**06.04.2023** ಮುಂಜಾನೆ **11.00** ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (ತಾತ್ಕಾಲಿಕ)

ಆಸಕ್ತಿ ಹೊಂದಿದ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/eportal/ines.seam** ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಕೃಭಾಜನಿನಿ, ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು ವಿಭಾಗ ನಾರಾಯಣಪೂರ ಇವರಿಂದ ಕಚೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/-
(ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಪ್ರಕಾಶ)
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಕೃಭಾಜನಿನಿ, ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು ವಿಭಾಗ,ನಾರಾಯಣಪೂರ.

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD
3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru.

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement portal)

Karnataka Housing Board invite tender through E-procurement for below mentioned work.

Sl. No.	Name of Work
1.	**Construction of Registrar Co-operative Society office Building at Ali Asker Road, Bengaluru.** Work Indent No: KHB/2022-23/BD/work_indent 1181 & IFT No.361/2022-23 Date: 24.03.2023, **Amount put to tender Rs. 7,39,40,821.00**

Last date for submission of bid24.04.2023 upto 4.00 p.m. For further information, contact below mentioned office address: Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru, Telephone No. 080-22273511/ 080-22100077. web site: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

DIPR/CP/AAPL/RO5467/22-23 **Sd/- Executive Engineer,** Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru.

Government of Karnataka
KARNATAKA SCHOOL EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT BOARD
6th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru - 560 003
Ph: 080- 23349434 Fax:23347670

No: KSEAB/DPIE/B3(POSM)/2/2023-BSEC/11854/CALL-2 Date: 23.03.2023

SHORT-TERM e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Director, P.U. Exams, Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board, hereby invites tenders from eligible bidders for the **"Supply of pre-printed pass certificates, along with, resizing / portrait orientation / cropping of photos and over printing of variable data of the same pertaining to 2023 PU Exams"** as per K.T.P.P. Act 1999 and K.T.P.P. Rules, 2000 through e-procurement portal only. Tender document may be downloaded from Board website **https://kseab.karnataka.gov.in** or e-procurement website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Tender commences on **24.03.2023,** Tender pre-bid meeting on **28.03.2023 at 12.00 P.M.** in the office of the Director, PU Exams, last date for submission **31.03.2023 at 4.00 P.M.** Opening of technical bid on **04.04.2023 at 12.00 P.M.** Opening of commercial bid tentatively on **10.04.2023 at 4.00 P.M.** approximate value of tender is **Rs. 16,10,000/- (Excluding GST),** tender EMD is **Rs. 32,200/-.** Further details can be obtained from the Board during office hours.

Sd/- Director, Exams

Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Niyamitha,
(A Govt of Karnataka Enterprises)
O/o The Executive Engineer, CNNL., KCD Division, T. Narasipura, Mysuru District - 571124
Ph.No. 08227-261362 E-Mail eekcdtnp@yahoo.co.in

Short Term Tender Notification No. 11/2022-23, dated: 21-03-2023

Itemwise tenders are invited in e-procurement by the Executive Engineer, Kabini Canal Distributory Division, T. Narasipura, Mysuru District on behalf of the Managing Director CNNL Mysore from eligible contractors. Minimum amount put to tender for the work is Rs 25.36 Lakhs & Maximum amount put to tender for the work is Rs.252.67 Lakhs. Last date for tender queries / clarification is **27.03.2023** till 4.00 p.m., last date for online submission of tender with EMD is **28.03.2023** till 5.30 p.m. Date of opening of technical bids is **29.03.2023** at 6.00 p.m. Date of opening of Financial bids is **01.04.2023** at 11.00 a.m. For further details, contact the above said during office hours and through e-portal by logging in www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.

DIPR/DDMYS/KSMCA/1229/2022-23 **Sd/- Executive Engineer**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No: CEE/TZB/SEE(O)/AE-1/2022-23/26182-85 Dated: 23.03.2023

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Only through E-Procurement Mode)

KPTCL invites bid against the following enquiry;

1. Enquiry No:KPTCL/CEE/TR/BZ/PTK-227/Call: 3 for Replacement of 3rd 100MVA 220/66kV Power Transformer by 150MVA, 220/66kV Power Transformer at **220/66/11kV Yerandanahalli** sub-station in Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban Dist., on **Partial Turnkey Basis** including supply of all materials/ equipment and erection (including Civil works) of all materials/equipments, testing and commissioning on **Partial Turnkey Basis.**

The Bids will be received through Electronic tender mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink "e-Procurement-KPTCL" or to **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **27.03.2023.** Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/-, Chief Engineer, Electy., Transmission Zone, KPTCL, Ananda Rao Circle, Bengaluru-560 009.

CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL - TIPTUR
Ph- 08134-250785, E-mail:itstaff_ulb_tiptur@yahoo.co.in, www.tipturcity.mrc.gov.in

No: CMC/Tip/Tech/CR/ /2022-23 Date:

TENDER NOTIFICATION

As per KTTP Act 1999-2000 Rule 2000, Commissioner, City Municipal Council, Tiptur was invited Tender for Works under grants from eligible contractors and Electrical Inspector who was registered in Public Works Department Tenderer can participate Tender for the following works in E-Procurement website http:/ www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER

Sl. no	WORK INDENT	Tender cost (Rs. Lakhs)	EMD Rs	Last Date of Tender	Date for Opening Tender
1	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 131848/CALL-3	57.80	1,16,000/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
2	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 140305/CALL-7	2.50	6,250/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
3	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 144172/CALL-4	5.00	12,500/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
4	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 144171/CALL-4	5.00	12,500/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
5	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 145945/CALL-3	20.00	50,000/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
6	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 145959/CALL-3	8.00	20,000/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
7	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 146720/CALL-2	4.00	10,000/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
8	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 149214	5.50	13,750/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
9	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 149217	3.12	7,800/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023
10	DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 149222	8.10	20,250/-	10.04.2023	12.04.2023

Note: For more details please contact office during working hours.

Sd/-Rammohan(Rami) President,CMC Office Tiptur

Sd/-Ganesh, Vice President, CMC Office Tiptur

Sd/-Municipal Commissioner CMC Office Tiptur

DIPR/TUM/1166/KSMCA/2022-23

Deputy Commissioner Yadgir
Mini Vidhan Soudha, Yadgir. Pin - 585202

INVITATION FOR TENDER

SECTION-1
TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF VIDEOGRAPHER AND VIDEO CAMERA FOR ELECTIONS 2023

The DC & DEO Yadgir District (hereafter, DEO) hereby invites tenders under e-tendering system from Registered Video Professionals in Karnataka for supply of VIDEOGRAPHER AND VIDEO CAMERA, as detailed in Annexure-I of this Tender, as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000, there under (Under Two Cover System). Only those who have supplied similar services (50% of the quantity of this tender) to Govt. Departments, Institutions, Autonomous Bodies in last 2 years and those who OWN video cameras as per specification only need to apply. Those with Annual Turnover for last three years i.e., 2019-20, 2020-21 & 2021-22, not less than Rs. 20 Lakhs per annum or total cumulative turnover Rs. 75 Lakhs for last three Years are eligible to participate in this Tender.

The term "PURCHASER" for the purpose of placing the order, accepting / rejecting the goods, payments and sending samples, for testing by the DEO and any other authority authorized by the Purchaser, who are bound by the Contract in pursuance of this Tender, while purchasing SERVICES. a)The term "TENDERER" means the Registered Video Professionals, participating in this tender. The term "TENDERER" refers to the successful Tenderer who has entered into an agreement with DEO for the purpose of supplying SERVICES,as mentioned in this tender. b)The DEO Yadgir District shall be the Tendering Authority for the purpose of this tender.

1.Tenderers are to quote for ALLSERVICES,listed in Schedule-II Annexure I.

2.Tenders of only those Tenderers' who fulfil the Terms and Conditions of this tender will be considered for evaluation. The tenders will undergo evaluation at every stage of processing and any tender found at any stage, not in conformity with the stipulated tender conditions including specifications / found to have uploaded defective and incomplete documents / samples of the Services found not in conformity with the specifications or found defective either physically or analytically, will be rejected.

Schedule of Events

Commencement of download of e-Tender Form from website- https://eproc.Karnataka.gov.in	23 /03/2023
Last Date for Queries on or before	29/03/2023 till 5:00 p.m.
Pre-bid Meeting.	28/03/2023 at 11:00 a.m.
Last Date for Uploading of Tender in e-procurement platform on or before	30/03/2023 till 5:00 p.m.
Opening of Technical Bid	01/04/2023 till 12:00 p.m.
Date of Original Document Verification.	Will be done on the uploaded documents at e-portal.
Submission of Samples	05 /04/2023 at 11:00 am
Opening of Financial Bid	06 /04/2023 at 12:00 pm
Approximate value of tender	Rs. 66.15 Lakhs

Venue: Office of the DEO Yadgir District, Address: DEO DOC Building Mini Vidhan Soudha Yadgir Pin - 585202

DIP/Yadagiri/554/K.S.M.C&A/2022-23 **SD/- Deputy Commissioner Yadgir**

INBRIEF

EC alerts DEOs to be prepared to enforce MCC

In a precursor to the announcement of Assembly elections in Karnataka, the Election Commission has alerted all District Election Officers (DEOs), BBMP Chief Commissioner, and Deputy Commissioners to be prepared to enforce the Model Code of Conduct (MCC). In a circular regarding immediate actions to be taken after announcement of the Assembly polls in Karnataka, T. Yogesha, Joint Chief Electoral Officer, DPAR (Elections), said the elections may be announced by the Election Commission of India (EC) anytime from now and many important activities need to be completed. Last time, the Assembly polls were held on May 12. Sources in the Commission said the polls are likely to be held around the same time and an announcement is likely by early next week.

Mamata Banerjee to campaign for JD(S)

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is set to campaign for the Janata Dal (S) in the Karnataka Legislative Assembly elections, according to a release by the JD(S). She announced this when former Chief Minister and JD(S) leader H.D. Kumaraswamy met her at her residence in Kolkata on Friday to invite her for the campaign. Issues related to the State politics and the party's Pancharatna Ratha Yatre figured during the one-hour meeting with her, the release said. Ms. Banerjee had attended the event when Mr. Kumaraswamy had earlier taken oath as the Chief Minister in the coalition government with the Congress in 2018.

State bags silver medal for 40% decline in TB incidence

Karnataka was awarded a silver medal for achieving 40% decline in the incidence of TB as compared to 2015 baseline incidence. The award was presented by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at One World TB Summit at Varanasi on Friday. T.K. Anil Kumar, Principal Secretary Health and Family Welfare, received the award. While Tumakuru bagged a silver medal for showing 40% decline as compared to 2015 baseline incidence, six districts, Kodagu, Chitradurga, Bidar, Hassan, Chikkamagaluru and Ramanagara, were awarded bronze medals medal for showing 20% decline. From 2021, under the initiative of "Sub-National Certification of Progress Towards TB Free Status", the Central TB Division has been rewarding best performing districts and States for their progress towards TB elimination.

State govt. scraps Muslim quota of 4%; increases that of Lingayats and Vokkaligas by 2% each

Reservation under the newly created categories of 2C and 2D among backward classes for Vokkaligas and Veerashaiva-Lingayats has been increased from 4% to 6% and from 5% to 7%, respectively

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai speaking to presspersons after a Cabinet meeting in Bengaluru on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

In what could be a game changer ahead of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly elections scheduled in April-May this year, the ruling BJP government has scrapped the reservation of 4% given to Muslims in Karnataka under 2B of Other Backward Classes (OBC) category and distributed it to two dominant communities – Veerashaiva-Lingayats and Vokkaligas – at 2% each in jobs and admissions in educational institutions.

With the State Cabinet decision, the quota under the newly-created categories of 2C and 2D among the backward classes for Vokkaligas and Veerashaiva-Lingayats has increased from 4% to 6% and from 5% to 7%, respectively.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who presided over the Cabinet meeting on Friday, said that Muslims who are economically backward will now have to compete in the 10% pool created under the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) quota.

Legacy of Deve Gowda

Former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda during his tenure as Chief Minister of Karnataka, in 1995, provided 4% reservation for Muslims under the category 2B in OBC quota, which now stands scrapped.

The Cabinet meeting held during the winter session in Belagavi in December 2022, had approved the creation of new categories of 2C and 2D for Vokkaligas and Veerashaiva-Lingayats, respectively, based on the interim report submitted by the Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes.

The Panchamasalis subsect among Lingayats, who are the biggest voting block among the Veerashaiva-Lingayats, whose support is seen as crucial by the BJP, have been demanding 2A status for the community. The Cabinet has refrained from touching Category 1 or 2A.

With Friday's decision, the OBC reservation has been kept at 32%, SC 17% and ST 7%, totalling 56%. Besides this, there is an EWS quota of 10%. Those not covered under the SC/ST and OBC reservation are eligible for quota under the 10% EWS quota, as per the economic criteria, Mr. Bommai said.

The Chief Minister said the government has decided to implement the increased reservation of SCs and STs in recruitments. At the same time, they have recommended to the Centre to include it in the 9th Schedule of the Constitution to protect it from legal challenge.

Mr. Bommai said the OBC reservation had not been revised for the past 20 years Arguing that there can be no reservation on the basis of religion, he pointed out that the Andhra Pradesh High Court had struck down religion-based reservation. B.R. Ambedkar, chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Constitution, too had said the reservation has to be based on caste and not religion, he said. He argued that Muslims who are economically backward would now get reservation in "a bigger pool" of 10% under the EWS quota.

Mr. Bommai said the State Cabinet has decided to set up a corporation for the welfare of 12-13 religious minorities such as Pinjara and Nadaf.

Panchamasali seer to announce decision today

The Hindu Bureau
HUBBALLI

The seer of Lingayat Panchamasali Peetha of Koodalsangama, Sri Basava Jaya Mrutyunjaya Swami, who is leading the agitation for 2A reservation for Panchamasali community, has said that he would announce the community's decision on the Cabinet decision on according 7% reservation for Lingayats under 2D only after holding the executive committee meeting of the community on Saturday.

Speaking to presspersons at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on the 70th day of the agitation of Panchamasalis for 2A reservation on Friday, the seer said that it was a matter of solace that at least now there was some clarity on the issue of reservation.

"Our original demand was inclusion under 2A category and after the State Cabinet decision on 2D category came we had sought clarity on the extent of reservation for the community. After Friday's Cabinet meeting, there is some clarity on the issue. However, I will not announce any decision in a hurry as it involves the interests of crores of community members," he said.

Cabinet approves internal quota for Scheduled Castes

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai being congratulated after the BJP government decided to provide internal reservation for the SC community in Bengaluru on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The ruling BJP government in Karnataka on Friday decided to provide internal reservation among 101 Scheduled Castes, in a move that comes just ahead of the Assembly elections.

As per the new reservation formula, the Scheduled Caste (left) has been given 6% reservation, SC (right) 5.5%, SC (Touchable) 4.5%, and SC (Others) 1%. The internal reservation recommendations would be sent to the Centre for its implementation, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai told presspersons after the Cabinet meeting on Friday.

The Cabinet sub-committee headed by Law Minister J.C. Madhuswamy recommended internal reservation for providing justice to all SCs based on their population. The categories have been made under the Article 341 (2) of the Constitution. The government has already hiked the SC quota from 15% to 17% and ST from 3% to 7% and it has been referred to the Centre for inclusion in the 9th schedule of the Constitution.

Categories created	
Scheduled Castes (Left)	6%
SC (Right)	5.5%
SC (Touchable)	4.5%
SC (Others)	1%

With increased aspirations among the people, there were agitations seeking internal reservations. Among 101 SC castes, there was concern among some communities such as Banjara, Kuruma, and Bhovi that they would be removed from the SC list. But they would be continued in the SC quota, Mr. Bommai said.

Another dominant Kuruba community has been demanding Scheduled Tribe (ST) tag. Mr. Bommai said the anthropological study of the community has been completed in four districts. "We have advised the Law Department to take further action to recommend to the Centre by giving all details," he said. The Centre too has sought further details of Kadu Gollaru and Koli Samaj for providing ST tag and the department concerned has been asked to provide details, he said.

Amit Shah meets BSY over breakfast, warms up to Vijayendra

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Union Home Minister Amit Shah being presented with a bouquet by State BJP vice-president B.Y. Vijayendra, at the latter's residence in Bengaluru on Friday. ANI

Ahead of the Assembly elections in Karnataka, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday sought to send a message that BJP veteran leader and Lingayat strongman B.S. Yediyurappa and his son B.Y. Vijayendra were not neglected by the party. He visited their house in Bengaluru for a breakfast meeting.

There were clear signs of Mr. Shah going out of his way to make Mr. Vijayendra, who is seeking party ticket to contest the polls from Shikaripur seat, feel important. When Mr. Yediyurappa greeted him on his arrival by presenting a bouquet, Mr. Shah insisted that it be handed over to Mr. Vijayendra. Later, he took the bouquet from Mr. Vijayendra.

The pictures that were shared over social media showed Mr. Vijayendra personally serving breakfast to Mr. Shah. Mr. Vijayendra told media persons later: "I have got elephantine strength after a pat from Mr. Shah."

Mr. Shah's visit to Mr. Yediyurappa's house gains significance in a context where Mr. Yediyurappa's influence is seen as dwindling by a section of the party and he feeling neglected.

It also coincides with the episode of senior leader and Minister V. Somanna and his son Arun Somanna publicly indicating that they were not happy with Mr. Yediyurappa and Mr. Vijayendra's style of functioning.

Cautious approach

Mr. Shah warming up to Mr. Yediyurappa and his son is seen as his cautious and strategic approach ahead of elections to ensure unity within the party and re-establish the party's hold on the dominant Lingayat community.

Cong. accuses State govt. of delaying action on quota hike for SC/STs

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Congress leaders Siddaramaiah, D.K. Shivakumar, and G. Parameshwara taking out a protest march in Bengaluru on Friday. AFP

The Congress organised a 'Raj Bhavan Chalo' rally accusing the Karnataka government of delay in recommending to the Centre to bring the new legislation increasing reservation to SCs and STs under the 9th schedule of the Constitution.

On Friday, KPCC president D.K. Shivakumar accused the BJP government of 'neglecting the SC and ST community' and not recommending to the Centre to include the newly-enacted law under the 9th schedule of the Constitution immediately after enacting the law. "The government had not sent the proposal to the Centre for the last four months," he alleged. The Cabinet had decided to send the proposal to the Centre in February 2023.

On March 23, Chief Secretary Vandita Sharma wrote to the Union Home Secretary to include the Karnataka SCs and STs (Reservation of Seats in Educational Institutions and of Appointments or Posts in the Services Under the State) Act, 2022, that increased reservation for SCs from 15% to 17% and for STs from 3% to 7%, in the 9th Schedule. The police detained some Congress leaders, including Mr. Shivakumar, Siddaramaiah, G. Parameshwara, B.K. Hariprasad, V.S. Ugrappa, and Saleem Ahmed.

Randeep Singh Surjewala, general secretary, AICC, said: "The BJP and Bommai government are employing disgraceful tactics to try and prevent their impending doom in the polls. Their strategy for SC/ST votes is 3D – Dupe, Deceive, Defraud."

My family wants me to contest from Varuna: Siddaramaiah

The Hindu Bureau
HUBBALLI/ BELAGAVI

Leader of the Opposition in Legislative Assembly Siddaramaiah has said that his family members had suggested he contest from Varuna constituency, and accordingly, he has requested the high command to finalise ticket from the same constituency.

Speaking to presspersons in Chitradurga on Friday, Mr. Siddaramaiah said that he had received request to contest from 25 constituencies, including Chitradurga. "My family feels that contesting from Varuna is a better option. They have also suggested to contest from another constituency. I have requested the high command to finalise Varuna, but the decision is left to the high command," he said. Later speaking to presspersons in Badami in Bagalkot district, he said he would obey the instructions of the high command over choosing his constituency.

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At Mysuru, Mr. Siddaramaiah's son Yathindra hinted that Mr. Siddaramaiah will be contesting from Varuna and Kolar Assembly segments. Mr Yathindra said his father had planned to contest from Kolar, but the high command preferred that he fight the elections from Varuna. However, abandoning the plans to contest from Kolar after making an announcement will not be appropriate, he said, making out a case for Mr. Siddaramaiah to enter the fray from Varuna as well as Kolar.

Modi to address rally in Davangere to mark culmination of ratha yatras

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The ruling BJP is set to organise a mega rally in Davangere on Saturday to mark the culmination of Vijaya Sankalpa Ratha yatre by four of its teams. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address this convention, which is pitched to be show of strength by the party ahead of the election. The four rathas of the party have so far travelled about 5,600 km covering all 224 Assembly constituencies of the State. They were flagged off from different locations by party national president J.P. Nadda, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, and Union Home Minister Amit Shah.

The organisers are expecting a turnout of nearly 10 lakh people.

FOOD CORPORATION OF INDIA
REGIONAL OFFICE No.10, EAST END MAIN ROAD, 4th 'T' BLOCK, JAYANAGAR, BENGALURU - 560041
No. RO KA-28.0017.0/4/2022-SRE-RO KA Date: 21.03.2023
e-Tender Notice
E-Tenders are invited through e-Procurement portal for Two-Bid system, for construction of Godowns in five locations i.e. FSD, Bellary, Bommapur, Raichur, Kushalnagar & Thaverekoppa in FCI, Karnataka Region. Notice Inviting Tender and Tender forms are published in the websites **http://eprocure.gov.in/** and **www.fci web.nic.in**. Tenders should be submitted online at **http://eprocure.gov.in/** within 6.00 PM on 18/04/2023.
GENERAL MANAGER (KTK)

CHENNAI METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Thalamuthu Natarajan Building,
No.1, Gandhi Irwin Road, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
(Consulting Services – Firm selection)
Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority (CMDA) is implementing a component of **Tamil Nadu Housing and Habitat Development Project (TNHHDP)** assisted by World Bank. CMDA invites eligible consulting firms to submit their proposal in providing the services for the below mentioned assignment under the TNHHDP.
Preparation of Detailed Project Report for "Integrating Blue Green Infrastructure in Urban Planning for Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation in Chennai Metropolitan Area (CMA)"
The detailed RFP and Terms of Reference are available in the websites - **www.cmdachennai.gov.in.** The proposals will be received in the office of **Member Secretary, Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority, Thalamuthu Natarajan Building, No.1, Gandhi Irwin Road, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008, Tamil Nadu, India** upto **3.00 p.m.** on **26.04.2023.** Submission of proposals through email, speed post, courier etc. will not be considered.
Any further Corrigendum or Amendment shall be notified in this website only. Consultants shall regularly visit the website to keep themselves updated.
Member Secretary
DIPR / 304 /DISPLAY/2023 **Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority**
" சோதனை கடந்து சுதந்திரம் அடைந்தோம் சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம்"

Bombay Jayashri

Bombay Jayashri undergoes surgery in U.K. for aneurysm

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

Carnatic singer and Sangita Kalanidhi designate Bombay Jayashri reportedly suffered an aneurysm while on tour in the United Kingdom, and has been rushed to a hospital.

Aneurysm is swelling in the arterial wall or cardiac chamber, or the wall of the blood vessel becoming weak.

In a statement, Ms. Jayashri's family said she had a health setback where she is currently touring for her concerts. She underwent a surgical procedure for the aneurysm.

The family, through a post in Ms. Jayashri's social media account, added: "She received timely medical intervention thanks to the capable staff at the NHS and her accompanying artistes. She is currently stable and recovering well."

The announcement from Music Academy about her being the Sangita Kalanidhi designate was made only on Sunday last.

HC cancels Kerala Governor's order on KU senate members

The court says withdrawal of the nominated members was not based on reason and was founded on prejudice; rejects the Chancellor's contention that the members acted against his interests

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

The Kerala High Court on Friday quashed the orders of Governor Arif Mohammed Khan issued in his capacity as Chancellor of the University of Kerala (KU) withdrawing the nominations of 15 members from the Senate of the university and also constituting a search-cum-selection committee for selecting a new Vice-Chancellor for the university.

Justice Sathish Ninan passed the verdict while allowing a petition filed by K.S. Chandrasekhar, Professor and Head, of the Institute of Management in Kerala, and others, challenging the orders.

The court observed that the order of withdrawal of the nominated members was not based on any illegal action. It was evident that the order was not based on reason, but was founded on prejudice. It was an unreasonable act, without regard to the facts and circumstances. It appears that the Chancellor was under a misconception regarding the role of nominee. The order withdrawing the nominated members suffered from the vice of arbitrariness.

The Chancellor contended that the order of withdrawal was issued as the nominated members failed to nominate a Senate representative to the selection committee. They were bound to act as per the directives of their nominator, i.e. the Chancellor. As the nominated members had acted against the interest of the Chancellor, he was well within his power to withdraw the nominations.

The court observed that a nominee under Section 17 of the Kerala University Act is not a mere mouthpiece or an agent.

The order issued by the Chancellor invoking the pleasure doctrine engrained under the 4th proviso to Section 18(3) cannot be sustained. The court also pointed out that the constitution of the search-cum-selection committee was not in accordance with law.

NGT slaps ₹10 crore penalty on Kerala govt. for failure to protect Ramsar sites

G. Krishnakumar
KOCHI

The Principal Bench of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) in New Delhi has slapped a penalty of ₹10 crore on the Kerala government for its failure to check the indiscriminate pollution of the Vembanad and Ashtamudi lakes, listed as Ramsar sites.

The Bench, led by its chairperson Adarsh Kumar Goel, said in its order dated March 22 that the penalty imposed on the basis of the 'polluter pays principle' had to be deposited in a ring-fenced account to be operated under the authority of the Chief Secretary. The deposit had to be made within a month, it said while disposing of a petition alleging failure of statutory and administrative authorities in taking remedial action for protection of the Vembanad and Ashtamudi lakes hit by illegal waste dumping.

The penalty of ₹10 crore had to be utilised for conservation/restoration measures by preparing an action plan to be preferably executed within six months. It would be open to the Chief Secretary to collect the amount from erring officers/ departments/ industries/ individuals in accordance with the law by an appropriate mechanism and hold erring officers appropriately accountable departmentally or by way of prosecution and also to proceed against other entities, railways, local bodies, and industries [responsible for the pollution] within three months, it said.

The Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Environment, had submitted a report before the tribunal stating that 1,176 notices had been issued by the local bodies concerned to the owners of flats, establishments, hotels, resorts, houseboats, and industrial units for dumping untreated wastewater into the waterbodies.

A.P. passes resolution to provide SC status for Dalit Christians

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

In a unanimous resolution passed on Friday, the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly supported the inclusion of Dalit Christians in the Scheduled Castes (SC) list, saying that the State government was of the opinion that their socio-economic status was at par with that of Dalits who practise Hinduism.

Passing the resolution, the Legislature resolved to request the Union government to amend the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950, accordingly and include Dalits who have converted to Christianity in the SC list.

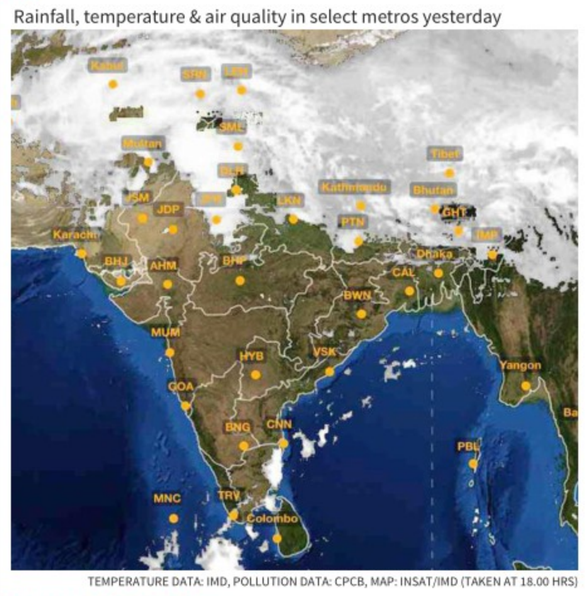
The A.P. government said that it had received several representations saying that Dalit Christians continue to face social, economic and political discrimination

The Union government, after having opposed the inclusion in two affidavits before the top court, has submitted that it had formed a three-member Commission of Inquiry to look into the demands of inclusion, giving it a two-year deadline to submit its recommendation.

Dalit Christian and Dalit Muslim bodies have not expressed confidence in the Commission and said that it had been formed with the "ulterior motive" of securing an opinion in line with that of the Centre's.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Saturday: Thunderstorm with lightning/gusty wind likely at isolated places over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Assam, Meghalaya, Sikkim, central Maharashtra, interior Karnataka, coastal Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Karaikal and Kerala

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	4.6	32.3	18.4	Kozhikode	—	35.8	26.2
Ahmedabad	—	34.4	22.2	Kurnool	—	39.0	23.7
Aizawl	—	29.2	11.6	Lucknow	—	33.4	17.1
Allahabad	—	35.0	19.0	Madurai	—	36.2	25.2
Bengaluru	—	34.5	22.8	Mangaluru	—	33.7	23.0
Bhopal	—	—	19.6	Mumbai	—	31.8	22.4
Bhubaneswar	4.5	35.2	21.7	Mysuru	—	36.2	18.0
Chandigarh	—	25.4	16.3	New Delhi	—	30.2	17.6
Chennai	—	33.8	25.8	Patna	—	34.2	18.5
Coimbatore	—	36.3	23.0	Port Blair	—	31.9	24.6
Dehradun	—	27.9	14.2	Puducherry	—	35.1	23.9
Gangtok	63.7	13.5	9.9	Pune	—	34.4	17.6
Goa	—	34.0	21.6	Raipur	—	35.6	21.3
Guwahati	0.6	24.7	18.2	Ranchi	—	31.7	17.2
Hubballi	—	37.0	20.0	Shillong	—	20.6	10.0
Hyderabad	—	34.4	22.7	Shimla	—	16.5	7.8
Imphal	1	27.1	13.7	Srinagar	0.8	16.0	5.3
Jaipur	—	30.8	19.5	Thiruvananthapuram	—	33.0	26.2
Kochi	—	32.0	26.4	Tiruchi	—	36.7	25.0
Kohima	—	19.5	10.4	Vijayawada	—	35.6	25.8
Kolkata	—	34.2	22.4	Visakhapatnam	—	32.1	25.4

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing — **Yesterday**

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	.11	.17	.24	119	124	
Bengaluru	.7	.16	.43	52	74	
Chennai	.22	.20	.68	56	52	
Delhi	.36	100	111	298	307	
Hyderabad	.19	.2	.51	115	136	
Kolkata	.26	.27	.21	52	62	
Lucknow	.22	.39	.40	254	220	
Mumbai	.11	.23	.61	199	154	
Pune	110	152	113	72	61	
Visakhapatnam	.17	.42	.40	38	85	

Air Quality Code: Poor · Moderate · Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Panchayats to implead in Arikompan case

The Hindu Bureau
IDUKKI

A day after the Kerala High Court's stay on the operation to capture a wild tusker in Idukki, locally called Arikomapan, a joint meeting of Santhanpara and Chinnakanal panchayats here on Friday decided to implead in the case.

"Our demand is to capture the tusker immediately and shift it to a Kraal. It poses a serious threat to human life," Santhanpara panchayat president Liju Varghese said. It was also decided to conduct a protest march over the issue.

KARNATAKA MARITIME BOARD (KMB)
(IDP&IWT Dept., Government of Karnataka)

KMB invites interested parties to participate in the 'Global Expression of Interest' for 'Operationalization of waterways from Almatti to Bagalkot in Karnataka on Public Private Partnership (PPP) Model' (Tender NO.KMB-16/WKS-IV/2022/CALL-2) along the coast of Karnataka

Interested Parties may download the Global Expression of Interest document from the Karnataka e-procurement website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/ for detailed terms and conditions of the Global EOI.

All future communications/corrigendum for the above Global EOI will be issued only on the Karnataka **E-Procurement website.** For any query kindly contact Director, Ports & Member (Maritime & IWT Operations), KMB **directorate@karnataka.gov.in, ceokmb2019@gmail.com** or **080-295-77444** Last date for submission of Documents – **17:00 hrs, 10.04.2023**

DIPR/ADK/MCA/1204/22-23 dt.21.03.2023

GOVERNMENT OF KARANATAKA
Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department
Office of the Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation and Ground Water evelopment Division Koppal.

No/E.E/MID / tank filling / Corrigendum /PB/2022-23 /1681 Dated: 23.03.2023

CORRIGENDUM

Ref: - This office tender notification No : 1464 Dated.15.03.2023, 1407 dt. 13.03.2023

Adverting to the above cited reference, respect of the tender conditions/documents may please be read as follows.

As Notified Earlier	Now To be Read as
INDENT NO: 39633, 39632, 39628, 39626, 39627, 39631, 39629, 39630, 39459, 39634, 39635, 39700	
Last date for submission of completed tender documents.: 23.03.2023 **up to 17.30 Hours**	Last date for submission of completed tender documents 28.03.2023 **up to 17.30 Hours**
Date of opening of Technical Bid and Financial Document: 24.03.2023, **11.00 Hours**	Date of opening of Technical Bid Document: 30.03.2023, **11.00 Hours**
INDENT NO:39665, 39663	
The contractor on payment of tender processing fees (not refundable) of as specified in e –portal can have access to e-tender document i.e, the tender schedules, Bid documents in the website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in : 14.03.2023 Date of opening of Technical Bid Document: 30.03.2023, **11.00 Hours**	The contractor on payment of tender processing fees (not refundable) of as specified in e –portal can have access to e-tender document i.e, the tender schedules, Bid documents in the website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in : 28.03.2023 from 11.00 hours
Last date for submission of completed tender documents.: 24.03.2023 **up to 17.30 Hours**	Last date for submission of completed tender documents.: 03.04.2023 **up to 17.30 Hours**
Date of opening of Technical Bid and Financial Document: 27.03.2023, **11.00 Hours**	Date of opening of Technical Bid Document: 05.04.2023, **11.00 Hours**

All other terms and conditions of the Original tender notification remain unchanged

DIPR/Koppal/769/KSMCA/2022-23

Sd/-Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department Division Koppal.

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
(A Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL MBC O&M Division Chigarhalli
E-mail : mbckbjnl@gmail.com

No. KBJNL/MBC/O&M Divn/Chigarhalli/PB/2022-23/1221 Date : 23-03-2023

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTICE (THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT PORTAL)

Ref: 1) Tender Notification letter No. 1185 dated 15.03.2023 of this office

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL, Bengaluru the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, MBC O&M Division Chigarahalli invites Percentagewar/Item/Turnkey wise Tender in single cover system through e-tendering for S.C.P. and T.S.P. 18 works in Jevargi Constituency for the year 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2022-23. Work Indent for the said works 23014, 23375/call-2, 23013, 23389/call-4, 23030/call-4, 23025/call-4), 23379/call-4, 23390/call-4, 23475/call-4, 20266/call-6, 20056/call-5, 23022/call-4, 23026/call-4, 23024/call-4, 23376/call-4, 23378/call-3 & 23027/call-3 and 23123 call-3 (Two cover system), Amount put to Tender for the said works Max. Rs. 63.61 lakhs & Min. Rs. 5.91 lakhs. E.M.D. Amount from Rs. 8,750/- to 1,50,000/-. Details of submitting Tender in e-portal for works is as below.

1) E-tendering available period: **from 23.03.2023 to 31.03.2023 up to 4.00 PM.** 2) Last date of e-tendering: **31.03.2023 up to 4.00 PM.** 3) Date of opening Technical/Financial Tender: 01.04.2023 at 4.30 PM at Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, MBC & O&M Division Chigarahalli.

Further information can be obtained from e-procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or from the office of the undersigned during office hours on working days.

DIPR/Kalaburagi/1570/MC&A/2022-23

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, MBC O&M Division Chigarahalli.

Karnataka Public works Department.
Tumkur Division, Karnataka Telephone: 0816-2272479,
No;EE/KPWD/Tmk/JE.3/T.No.94/2022-23 Dt: 23.03.2023
Invitation For Short term Tenders (IFT) KW. 4
e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of Government of Karnataka tenders are invited in Two cover system for Class-1& above Contractors registered in PWD for 01 work under 5054-ORF Works Head of accounts in the jurisidiction of Tumkur Division through e-procurement. The dates are published as below. (Amount Put to Tender Rs.826.60 Lakhs, EMD Amt Rs.12,39,900/-)

1. Last date for tender information equeries: **29.03.2023** : 16.00 2. Last date for submission of tender : **30.03.2023** : 16.00 3. Date of opening the Technical bid. : **31.03.2023** : 16.30 4. Date of opening the Financial bid. : **01.04.2023:** 11.00

Note: Turnover Certificate without UDI Number will not be considered.

Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PWD DIVISION, TUMKUR.

DIPR/TUM/1174/KSMCA/2022-23

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Under Taking)
Office of the Executive Engineer KBJNL JBC Division No.2
Bheemarayanagudi. Tq: Shahapur Dist: Yadgiri Email Id: eejbc2@gmail.com

NO. KBJNL/JBC Divn-2/PB/2022-23/1576 Date:21.03.2023.

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(ONLY THROUGH ELECTRONIC TENDER SYSTEM)

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL. Bangalore, the Executive Engineer KBJNL, JBC Division No.2 Bheemarayanagudi. Tq: Shahapur Dist: Yadgir invites in two Covers system from the eligible Contractors for work mentioned in the table below.The blank tenders can be obtained through www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and can be submitted through electronic tender box.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DETAILS OF THE WORKS PUT TO E- TENDERING

1) Work details: Construction of distributory No.1 to 9 & its laterals including CD works under Mallabad Lift-3.(Ind.No24195) 2)Amount Put to tender Rs.3315.42 Lakhs 3) EMD amount for the work: Amt Rs.39.12 Lakhs 4)The contractor can have access to the electronic document, i.e Tender Schedules, bid documents and other documents in the website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on payment of tender processing fee (non-refundable): From 21.03.2023 at 11:30AM 5) The last date & time for submission of electronic documents through e-portal 20.04.2023 upto 17.00 Hrs. 6) Date & time for opening of electronic document first (Technical bid): 24.04.2023 @ 11.30 Hrs. 7) The electronic document second (financial bid) of pre-qualified contractor will opened on: 29.04.2023 @ 11.30 Hrs or After approval of Technical bid. 8) For more information contact details: Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, JBC Division No.2, Bheemarayangudi of Shahapur Taluka, Yadgir Dist. 9.Website: http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

NOTE: - Further information may be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours or from http:www.eprocurement.Karnataka.gov.in.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, JBC, Division.No-2, Bheemarayanagudi.

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TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement)

No.: EE/RDW&S/CKD/JJM/2022-23/85/4758 Date : 21-03-2023

On behalf of this office above reference letter No.4758, Date: 21-03-2023 we had called the Tender through e-procurement under 2 cover system (Technical bid and Financial bid) on DBOT basis the below prescribed work. All details and tender conditions are available in e-procurement website. (www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in) only.

1)	Date of Pre-bid Meeting	27-03-2023 at 11:00 am O/o Chief Engineer Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Department, 'E'Block, 1st Floor, KHB Building, K.G. Road, Bangalore
2)	Last date & Time for Tender Submission	31-03-2023 upto 16:00 pm
3)	Date of Technical Bid opening	01-04-2023 upto 17:00 pm
4)	Date of Financial Bid opening	04-04-2023 at 11:00 am

Sl. No.	Scheme Name	Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakh)	EMD	Period for Completion (Including monsoon)
1.	Augmentation of Multi Village Water Supply Scheme to Madabhavi and other 18 villages in Athani Taluk of Belagavi District through Design-Build mode under Jal Javeen Mission (Indent No. 61014)	2024.00	16,00,000/-	11 Months

DIPO/BGM/2143/2022-23

Sd/- **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**
R.D.W & S Division, Chikodi

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer (Ele), BBMP, Bommanahalli Zone, Begur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore - 560 068.

No.BBMP/EE/ELE/BH/TN/03/2022-23 Date:24.03.2023

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only) (Single & Two Cover System)

The Executive Engineer (Ele) , Bommanahalli Zone invites tenders from eligible Class-1 contractors registered in BBMP/KPWD / CPWD / MES / Railways / National Highways or any State / Central Government Organisations for the following works.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Estimated Cost (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
1.	Providing additional Arm to existing poles towards footpath at Bommanahalli Constituency.	50.00	1,00,000/-
2.	Providing additional Arm to existing poles towards footpath at Bangalore South Constituency.	50.00	1,00,000/-
3.	Repair / Upgradation to existing High mast light at Bommanahalli Zone.	50.00	1,00,000/-

1) Tender documents may be downloaded from GoK e-procurement portal from **28.03.2023 onwards. 2)** Last date for submission of tenders: **05.04.2023 upto 4.00 p.m. 3)** Opening of Tenders**: 06.04.2023 at 5.00 p.m.** Further details can be accessed from GoK e-procurement website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele), Bommanahalli Zone.

Chilling effect

Rahul Gandhi's conviction, jail term flag need to abolish criminal defamation

The rigours of the law and the tribulations of politics have come together to bedevil Congress leader Rahul Gandhi. An election-time jibe he had made in 2019 – 'how come all of these thieves have Modi in their names?' – has been declared by a court in Surat to be defamatory. Mr. Gandhi has been sentenced to two years in prison, the maximum sentence for criminal defamation, and disqualified from his membership in the Lok Sabha. Both the conviction and sentence raise legal questions. Does the remark amount to defaming anyone in particular, or to people with the surname 'Modi' as a group? Case law indicates that the expression 'collection of persons' used in Section 499 of the IPC, with reference to those who can be defamed, has to be an identifiable class or group and that the particular member who initiates criminal proceedings for defamation must demonstrate personal harm or injury by the alleged defamatory statement. It is difficult to sustain the argument that all those with the surname, and not merely the three individuals including Prime Minister Narendra Modi who were referred to, can be aggrieved persons. Also, it is not clear if the complainant, BJP MLA Purnesh Modi, had shown that he was aggrieved by the alleged slur either personally or as a member of the 'Modi' group.

The maximum sentence is also troubling. Statutes prescribe maximum jail terms so that trial courts use their discretion to award punishments in proportion to the gravity of the crime. It is questionable whether attacking an indeterminate set of people with a general remark will amount to defamation, and even if it did, whether it is so grave as to warrant the maximum sentence. The correctness of the judgment will be decided on appeal, but the political cost to Mr. Gandhi in the form of disqualification from the House and from electoral contest will have a lasting impact, unless he obtains a stay on the conviction rather than mere suspension of sentence. In a country that often frets over criminalisation of politics, corruption and hate speeches, it is ironic that criminal defamation should overwhelm the political career of a prominent leader. A modern democracy should not treat defamation as a criminal offence at all. It is a legacy of an era in which questioning authority was considered a grave crime. In contemporary times, criminal defamation mainly acts as a tool to suppress criticism of public servants and corporate misdeeds. In 2016, the Supreme Court upheld criminal defamation without adequate regard to the chilling effect it has on free speech, and to that, one must now add, political opposition and dissent. Opposition parties expressing dismay at the verdict against Mr. Gandhi should include abolishing criminal defamation in their agenda.

No cause for alarm

But people of vulnerable groups must take all precautions against COVID-19

More than three years after the pandemic began, newer variants, an uptick in cases, hospitalisations, and even deaths are being reported from across the world, though a far cry from the earlier alarming levels. After Kappa, Delta, BA.2.75, and BA.2.76, the latest variant (first detected in India) is the Omicron recombinant XBB.1.16. There has been a very small rise in cases in about a dozen States but no concomitant increase in hospitalisations even among vulnerable groups, suggesting that clinical severity in infected people might not be a concern. This variant accounts for over 30% of all sequenced genomes this month, and its proportion has been increasing, clearly marking the variant's spread and dominance in the community in the last couple of weeks. With daily fresh infections at a record low in India for months on end, testing and genome sequencing had dropped sharply; the weekly test positivity rate has been below 1%. Hence, the true picture of the variant's spread is not clear. It is against this backdrop that Prime Minister Narendra Modi directed officials to increase whole genome sequencing to help track the new variant and others that might emerge, so that the country is poised to act on time. With the pandemic far from over, the compulsion to continue genome sequencing cannot be overemphasised, lest India flies blind into a pandemic storm.

With the majority of adults and even adolescents having taken their second dose at least a year ago, and with extremely small numbers opting for a booster, India is fully relying on hybrid immunity arising from vaccination and natural infection for extended protection. Fortunately, the estimated 95% of India's population above 12 years possessing hybrid immunity has been shielding people from serious COVID-19 disease even when a few Omicron variants caused a spike last year. In fact, reinfection with any of the variants that emerged after BA.2 might have increased immune protection. A small percentage of people getting reinfected periodically has potentially translated to varying levels of immunity at the population level, leaving only a subset of the susceptible population vulnerable. But with people, especially from the vulnerable groups, running the risk of suffering from long-COVID, it is prudent to follow basic precautions such as wearing a mask in closed space settings when newer variants emerge. Universal masking even in poorly ventilated places might not be a health priority at this point in time in India, but that should not stop individuals belonging to vulnerable groups from being proactive and guarded.

Why Tipu Sultan must be killed, again

Tipu Sultan was feared and envied not just during his reign (1782-99) by his fiercest enemies, the British, when he became the stuff of folklore in England. In the Passage to England, news of his fearless opposition inflated his strengths and exaggerated his vices. He and his island abode, 'Seringapatam', were assured a place in cartoons, skits, plays, children's games; as a design element on writing paper, cigarette cards, ship's figureheads, soup tureens; as metaphor in multiple art objects. Nineteenth century 'Tipu Mania' even ensured him a place in the English nursery, as a dreadful warning of what awaited the recalcitrant child. Well into the 1820s, British theatre audiences were promised that 'a whole stud of horses will appear!' alongside 'an array of zemindars!'.

Janaki Nair

is a retired Professor of History, Jawaharlal Nehru University

A powerful hold on history and culture

The fascination with this figure did not end with his defeat and death on the battlefield on May 4, 1799. His death powered legend, art, theatre and song – this time not just in England but in his native land. Tipu's bravery is immortalised by Amar Chitra Katha and became the emblem of anti-colonialism in the Constitution; more controversial memories have been stoked by the troubling legacies of conversion in regions populated by his enemies.

Why did Tipu's death exert such a powerful hold on the imaginations of the conquering power, leading to a continuous restaging of his death? Even artists who had never set foot in India – Robert Ker Porter, David Wilkie, or Henry Singleton – portray the *Last Siege of Seringapatam*, the discovery of his body by General David Baird, and the melodramatic portrait of his family's grief.

Such portrayals of his defeat and death, which circulated widely, served to reassure the people of England that the one obstacle to the growth of the British Empire in India had indeed been removed. In other words, the pictorial versions satisfied a very British need, asserting a badly dented British valour following decades of Mysore opposition to easy conquest.

The portrayal of his death in art also served other purposes: when David Wilkie was commissioned to paint his famous painting in 1843, it was to assure Baird, not Tipu, a place in British history, rescuing him from the shadows of that other hero of Seringapatam, Arthur Wellesley (later, Duke of Wellington).

Finally, in commemorating his death, the British acknowledged Tipu as the worthy and heroic enemy that they defeated.

> In Karnataka, the province of the historian has shrunk, yielding place to others who now adjudicate historical truth and diminish scholarship

Mixed afterlife

Tipu's afterlife in India has been more mixed. The British chose Mysore city, the erstwhile capital of a remembered dynasty, to prevent contamination from any memories of Tipu Sultan's defiance. Seringapatam was later revived as a pilgrimage site for British soldiers and tourists wishing to re-enact the British conquest.

In 19th century Mysore, Tipu was admired in lavanies not just for his firm stand against the British but for prohibiting 'arrack, toddy, ganja, and opium' as well as 'gambling or illicit relations'. The ballads memorialised Tipu's valour in other ways, recalling the mendacity of his known enemies, and his trusted lieutenants, such as Mir Sadak. Haidar and Tipu subdued the palegars and terrified 'Hindusthan'. Their battle cries threatened the very gates of London ('*Mysura shajaanana gharjane keli*, London *palugalu bedaroyithu*'). The peasant insurgents of 1831 at Nagara remembered Tipu's reign as peaceful and prosperous.

Most 20th century versions, such as Amar Chitra Katha, tell us why Tipu was given the name 'Tiger of Mysore' but fail to engage with three decades of rich historical scholarship. Still, a healthy and creative attitude to representations of historical characters, in film, art, song, movies, posters, comic books thrived alongside rigorous historical research.

That is until recently, when the only story that can be told about Tipu in Karnataka is of his villainy, his opposition to Kannada and Hindus (and some Christians) alike. A new 'history war' broke out when Rangayana director Addanda Cariappa wrote and produced a play, *Tipu Nija Kanasugalu* (The Real Dreams of Tipu Sultan). In 15 scenes, Tipu Sultan is portrayed as a sly and cowardly imposter, whose only preoccupation was the conversion of 'Hindustan' into a Dar ul Islam. But Mr. Cariappa also introduced two men in the final scene, Uri Gowda and Nanje Gowda, who put an end to the coward as he fled Srirangapatna, thereby saving both Kannada and the Hindu faith from a disastrous fate.

Intended as a riposte to Girish Karnad's *Tipuvina Kanasagalu* (The Dreams of Tipu Sultan), the bizarre creation could have sheltered under dramatic licence. But it positions itself as historical truth, enthusiastically endorsed in the foreword by none other than litterateur S.L. Byrappa. In a State desperately needing heroes, the glorification began of the two (Vokkaliga) chieftains who had 'liberated' Mysore.

Imaginative videos soon outpaced any timid enquiry about historical sources. A 2006 article written by a son of the soil of Mandya, H.K. Raje Gowda, had merely claimed that there was opposition to Haider and Tipu from the Gowdas of Mandya, while asserting their staunch defence of Hinduism. Raje Gowda's community history provides neither sources or footnotes. But neither has he adorned his heroes with the mantle of being the true assassins.

However, an impatient Bharatiya Janata Party and its army ran away with this trophy; in their eagerness to produce heroism, they borrowed the images of known opponents of the East India Company during the great South Indian rebellion of 1800-01, the Marudu Pandiya brothers. The amplified invocation of Uri Gowda and Nanje Gowda (the former renamed as 'Huli' Gowda in Raje Gowda's own 2016 iteration) mimicked the colonial masters. It was intended to produce Vokkaliga heroes to serve the party in power in forthcoming electoral battles in Mandya and Hassan.

The historian might have asked: were they from among those adversely affected by Tipu's agrarian reforms as part of his military-fiscal regime?

Historical 'evidence'

From all historical sources and image analysis, we know that Tipu's death during the Fourth Anglo Mysore War was unknown to the victors: was he in hiding or had he escaped altogether from the theatre of war? When his body was found hours later along with heaps of other bodies at the gateway, he was found to have fought, like a soldier, unto his last. General Baird's heroism was confined to 'discovering' the body before it was officially identified by the grieving family. Whoever had shot him neither recognised nor engaged him in conversation.

In the currently overheated State of Karnataka, the province of the historian has severely shrunk, yielding place to politicians and religious heads who now adjudicate historical truth. The promise of historical 'evidence' of the existence of such heroes, already substantiated in print, image and high decibel campaigns, further diminishes historical scholarship. Who knows that even archaeological or DNA proof will not be produced? But meanwhile, Tipu Sultan must die yet again at the hands of ever newer claimants to power.

A chilling remark and the 'price to pay'

When India's Union Law Minister describes retired judges in a rather harsh manner, it is something that cannot be taken lightly. For the Minister to label retired judges who question "state policies" as being "anti-India" elements is not just a case of a flawed understanding of concepts but also a matter of grave concern for citizens.

The Minister's parting shot, based on the erroneous assumption that certain judges are working against India and "will have to pay the price", was not only intimidatory in its tone and tenor but also portends grave danger for the future. Involving retired judges in the issue was uncalled for. The Minister's statements are defamatory and raise larger issues that touch the core of our polity.

K.V. Viswanathan

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A right to free speech

Judges who demit judicial office do not cease to be citizens of this country. They have not bartered away their fundamental rights for the pension they draw. They have a right to free speech and expression and a duty to speak up when they find the legislature, the executive or even the judiciary to be transgressing their limits.

The act of questioning the state is not a case of being "anti-national". It is a case of being a "concerned patriot". In turn, the response of the state has to be to either justify the measures it has adopted, or take the advice offered and course correct. Free speech must result in more speech and not in veiled sweeping statements.

The remarks made will not scare those who are bold and the courageous who will continue to speak their mind. But the "chilling effect" from the remarks made will be felt by the rest of the citizenry.

As a result, the marketplace for ideas will be thinly populated. There will be fewer symposia on issues of seminal importance as there could be a tendency from now on to play it safe (the Minister spoke about a seminar where judges and senior advocates were the participants and where the topic was on 'Accountability in Judges Appointment'; but, according to him, the discussion was about 'how the government was taking over the Indian judiciary'). There could be fear as no less a person than the Minister for Law and Justice has talked about having to "pay the price" if the line (that has embedded in it concepts of government and the nation as one), drawn by him, is breached.

> Citizens of India, and this includes 'retired judges', have a right to free speech and expression and a duty to speak up when there are constitutional transgressions

The deleterious effect of all this will be felt only by the nation. Actions of the state will be unchecked not because these acts are constitutional and valid, but for the reason that the mere act of questioning them will endanger the individual. He or she is held *in terrorem*, for they have 'been told' that they will have to "pay the price" if their conduct does not meet with the executive's approval.

Indispensable freedoms

The powerful words of Justice Louis D. Brandeis that were uttered nearly a century ago, in *Whitney vs California* are apt: "Those who won our independence believed that the final end of the state was to make men free to develop their faculties; and that in its government the deliberative forces should prevail over the arbitrary. They valued liberty both as an end and as a means. They believed liberty to be the secret of happiness and courage to be the secret of liberty. They believed that freedom to think as you will and to speak as you think are means indispensable to the discovery and spread of political truth; that without free speech and assembly discussion would be futile; that with them, discussion affords ordinarily adequate protection against the dissemination of noxious doctrine; that the greatest menace to freedom is an inert people; that public discussion is a political duty...."

Leading jurists have spoken about how the problem was not really about free speech, but freedom after the speech. The Minister's statement only reinforces that theory. If this is the plight of retired judges, one shudders to think what it would be like for the ordinary citizen, namely, 'the baker, the butcher and the candle stick maker'.

In her address to the Supreme Court of India in November 2022, the President of India, Droupadi Murmu, raised the issue of the plight of undertrials in the prisons of India, despite getting bail. The President narrated her experience of meeting undertrial prisoners when she was a Member of the Legislative Assembly in Odisha, and later as the Governor of Jharkhand. It was a speech that moved the Court, which directed jail authorities to submit the details of such prisoners to the State governments concerned which in turn were to forward the documents to the National Legal Services Authority within 15 days. Had the President kept quiet, for fear that she may have to "pay the price"", things would never have moved.

Looking ahead

It is reasonable to expect that the Prime Minister, a powerful orator and a vocal critic of many of the policies of the previous government, would certainly not want his government to be associated with such a chilling statement made by his Law Minister.

It will also be reasonable to hope and expect that the two high constitutional dignitaries will now discuss this issue and ensure that any further damage to India's constitutional ethos is mitigated. It is only then that the message will be clear: that in India, silence will never be coerced by law. Or by the Law Minister.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MP's disqualification

In a country where a large section of politicians prefers to use cuss words and abusive language to attack their political opponents, this kind of swift action against Rahul Gandhi for what would, in contrast, be 'moderate remarks' is surprising. The vitality of the same Representation of the People Act 1951 can be better preserved and sustained if it is used against all motor-mouthed leaders in the country who fan tensions between communities and stoke enmity among various sections of society for narrow political gains. In a political sense, the kind of alacrity displayed by the ruling dispensation to act against Mr. Gandhi might be counterproductive.

Satish Reddy Kanaganti,
Tipparthi, Nalgonda, Telangana

It may not be wrong to read the disqualification of the MP, as hurriedly notified by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, as amounting to contempt of court.

When the very same court granted the MP a reprieve, for 30 days, to enable him to make an appeal in the higher court, the said disqualification is not without mala fide intent.

T.V. Pandarinath Naidu,
Kushalnagar, Kodagu, Karnataka

The verdict and the rapid speed at which Mr. Gandhi has been disqualified would now open a Pandora's box for hundreds of cases to be filed all over the country. Many politicians have said demeaning things about others. At the same time, I hope that this case acts as a precedent and ensures that politicians in this country are more circumspect and dignified when they address others in the future.

Hemachandra Basappa,
Bengaluru

At Chepauk

After many years, Chepauk's M.A. Chidambaram stadium in Chennai hosted a non-commercial international cricket match ('Sport' page, "Zampa and Agar spin it Australia's way in decider", March 23). The sight and the sound of the crack of the willow on the impact of leather continues to exude an old-world charm for the cricket lover, despite a modern convenience like television. As for the match itself, the pitch managers provided a sporting wicket, unlike recent disastrous creations in this series. A minor inconvenience was that 50% of the stands did not get a view of the giant TV screen-and-scoreboard; the smaller one near the MCC club was managed like a local cable TV channel, hardly providing the score. As Internet services from two telecom companies were not available throughout the match, keeping track of the score was difficult. Catering contractors at the stadium did a poor job and did not estimate demand correctly. That there has been a renovation of the stands was nice. The match was peaceful as the number of uniformed men appeared to be more than the number of spectators. It was still an event worth watching live.

S. Srinivasan,
Chennai

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Muskan Sethi, India's first woman professional poker player, in New Delhi. SUSHIL KUMAR VERMA

A changing scenario on the cards

A burgeoning industry of 'games of skill' like poker and rummy is making successful celebrities of some players and leaving some others in financial ruin. **Aroon Deep** speaks to players on both ends of the spectrum amid changing jurisprudence on games of 'skill' and of 'chance'

Muskan Sethi, 33, has just returned to Delhi from Goa. A mark of her success as a professional poker player is the BMW Mini that sits on the driveway of her upmarket apartment building in south Delhi. Inside her apartment, where a wide-angle monitor is connected to a gaming PC, Sethi says she is in Delhi for a brief visit and will go back to Goa soon.

Sethi was among the first in India to play internationally. She has built a personal fortune from her victories – over ₹35 lakh in public games alone, according to one estimate – and has a considerable following on YouTube. Sethi plays up to four games simultaneously on the YouTube channel 'PokerBaazi,' an online poker platform for which she is a brand ambassador. She consistently gets over a thousand views on her games.

"There are thousands of hands in poker," Sethi says, referring to the two cards dealt to each player in a game of No Limit Texas Hold 'em. This is the popular variant of poker that she has played for years. Sethi displays a colourful grid of card combinations on her phone. Her eyes light up as she starts describing strategy, with terms like "range" and "board texture," and how those concepts inform her play.

For someone who plays a game that is a favourite in casinos, Sethi talks more with the air of an investor rather than a gambler. "I believe in return of investment," she says. "You don't have to play every hand. You can even play 10 hands and you're sorted." In fact, she rejects the term 'gambling' for professional poker. This seemingly calculated approach to the game may be strange to some. However, television channels in the United States have, since the early 2000s, made household names of poker players, while also attracting celebrities to programmes like Celebrity Poker Showdown, in which they play each other for charity.

Sethi started playing poker with real money in 2014, shortly after her mother's death. Before that, she used to play on Zynga Poker, a casual app on which no real money is needed. As there were few Indian sites that allowed staking cash at the time, she joined a 'free roll' tournament on a foreign poker site, where she had to be in the top 0.1% of players. She won $75, and qualified for an audition to play on TV in Europe. She was thrilled. "My idol Liv Boeree was sitting there. She was one of the pros I had to play against," she says, beaming. Boeree is a British professional poker player and TV presenter, and a strong influence for Sethi.

In the years since, Sethi has played internationally multiple times. In 2018, she was feted by then President Ram Nath Kovind as 'India's first woman to play professional poker.'

> If you play without money, people just go all in. Having real money at stake makes for more interesting games.
>
> **NIRANJAN NAKHATE**
> Founder of a start-up

Decades of jurisprudence

The buzz around staking money on card games in India is recent; casinos are, after all, banned in most parts of the country. The exceptions to this are Goa, Daman and Diu, and Sikkim. Sethi often travels to Goa to play on international waters.

How then did players like Sethi, and card games like poker and rummy, become all the rage? The rise of "real money gaming" apps, which are referred to as online gambling apps in Australia and the United Kingdom, where the gambling laws are less demanding than in India, played a significant part, says lawyer Deepro Guha, a senior manager with The Quantum Hub think tank, which has worked with such platforms.

But before these apps came along, decades of jurisprudence laid the groundwork. The Public Gambling Act of 1867 banned most betting and gambling with the exception of "game[s] of mere skill," says Guha. Under the insistence of B.R. Ambedkar, Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Constitution, States were given the authority to regulate gambling and betting.

But the definition of that term became narrower with time. "The issue began when States started to regulate what they considered gambling or betting, but petitioners in those cases disagreed saying those were games of skill and that they shouldn't be prohibited from playing such games," says Guha.

The first major case that dealt with this ambiguity was R.*M.D. Chamarbaugwalla v. Union Of India*. It was filed in the Supreme Court in 1957 after the Union government passed a law in 1955 limiting the scale and payouts of "prize competitions" such as crossword puzzles where participants sent in solutions by mail. The crosswords challenged in the Court case pertained to puzzles that had no set solutions. An adjudication committee received responses by post to determine the skill involved.

"This was the first time that the court really went into what would be a game of chance and what would constitute a game of skill," Guha says. "And that's where the thinking evolved to what is now called a 'preponderance of skill test.'" This, he says, weighs how important it is to be good at a game as opposed to how much chance is at play. In 1968, the Supreme Court held that rummy, another card game that is often played for money, passed this test. In 1996, betting on horse racing also passed this test.

When online platforms started cropping up, they worked to narrow the scope of betting and gambling regulation even further. In recent years, three High Courts and the Supreme Court concurred that betting on daily fantasy sports was also a game of skill.

Online poker. GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCKPHOTO

In daily fantasy sports, players can bet on sportspersons based on the latter's real-life performance. They can build a 'fantasy' team which they think will prevail over other given sets of sportspersons or fantasy teams. When the performance of sportspersons improves in the real world for a given fantasy team, the statistics in the platforms also improve. This allows players who bet on well-performing virtual teams to earn money on their bets on those teams.

Despite these games being legal, most casinos are restricted to only those games that are adjudicated as 'games of skill.' Guha speculates that the main reason for this was economics. While casinos traditionally take a cut of player winnings, they tend to make more on slot machines or games like blackjack. These machines and games have a so-called 'house edge,' which gives the establishment an advantage. Running a physical establishment with just games of 'skill' is not financially attractive.

But when games are run on the Internet, and players can connect from anywhere, everything changes. Playing costs so little that even with a modest commission on winnings, platforms stand to earn large amounts of money.

> I lost ₹20 lakh and reached the limit on three credit cards. Today, my wife and I are struggling. This [habit] makes people inhuman.
>
> **GOPALAKRISHNAN**
> Priest

While poker has not been scrutinised as horse racing and rummy have been by the apex court, online platforms to play the game have proliferated and are available in most States.

Financial ruin and suicide

Not everybody who stakes their fortune on real-money games online enjoys success like Sethi, however. Gopalakrishnan (name changed), a 41-year-old Hindu priest in Chennai, is on the brink of financial ruin. Five years ago, he saw advertisements for an online rummy platform on social media. Long ago, Gopalakrishnan had won substantial sums of money at a small rummy club on Anna Salai – a legal establishment because of the Supreme Court ruling – and so the opportunity to win online was too tempting to pass up. Shortly after starting, he claims, he made ₹1,20,000.

But as he continued playing, losses piled up. And over the years, Gopalakrishnan became addicted, playing 14 hours a day instead of half an hour as he initially used to. "I lost ₹20 lakh and reached the limit on three credit cards," he says. "Today, my wife and I are struggling. This [habit] makes people inhuman. I started lashing out at my children."

Gopalakrishnan says the problem is not just the money, which can be earned eventually; he also developed vision problems from staring at the screen for long hours and developed high blood sugar, possibly due to all the stress of playing and losing. "I stopped playing in 2022. Since then, my monthly income has been going in paying off my loans. I'm living pay cheque to pay cheque," he says.

Gopalakrishnan's story is not unique. Tamil Nadu has seen a spate of deaths by suicides – at least 17 in three years until July 2022 – of people who notched up losses playing on these apps. Both the main political parties – the All-India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK) and the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) – have attempted to outlaw real money games in the State. The first attempt by the AIADMK-led Tamil Nadu government was struck down by the Madras High Court, and the State has appealed the decision in the Supreme Court. The second attempt came from the DMK-led government, following a report by a committee headed by retired Justice K. Chandru. The State government passed a Bill in the Assembly to outlaw online rummy and poker. However, Governor R.N. Ravi returned the Bill without providing his assent. As courts across the country have repeatedly kept many of these 'games of skill' outside the scope of 'betting and gambling' in the Constitution, the Governor's options may be limited. This week, the State Assembly once again unanimously adopted the bill to ban online gambling.

Draft amendment

Between the extremes of Sethi and Gopalakrishnan are players who rein in their reckless impulses without necessarily making it big. Niranjan Nakhate, a Mumbai-based founder running a start-up to aggregate freelance telemarketers, discovered poker through Zynga's free game, like Sethi did. Shortly after his previous company collaborated with an online poker platform called Spartan Poker, Nakhate, 30, says he started playing online casually. He had previously only played games that were "not very high stakes" with friends.

Nakhate started spending more time on the game on a different platform when he was cloistered in his family home during the COVID-19 lockdown in 2021. "That's when I played the most," he says. "Every night I used to play online. My friends would also be online, and we'd just take up a table [together]."

Overall, he only put in ₹2,000, and stopped playing for over a year after his deposit swelled to three times that amount. As interest in playing waned, he thought he would use that deposit to play at some point if he felt like it. If money wasn't an issue, why did he play with real money? "If you play without money, people just go all in," he argues. "Having real money at stake makes for more interesting games."

But not everyone gives up easily or knows when to stop playing. The Union government has assumed administrative authority to regulate 'online gaming.' In a draft amendment to the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Rules), 2021, the government defined an online game as one which "is offered on the Internet and is accessible by a user through a computer resource if he makes a deposit with the expectation of earning winnings."

The industry rejoiced. The real money gaming industry has only suggested minor modifications to some aspects of the proposed regulations. The amendments would largely codify in law what many platforms are already doing, such as warning players of financial risks, maintaining know-your-customer (KYC) information on users, and submitting to the authority of a self-regulatory body.

States, meanwhile, may not be able to prohibit these platforms, notwithstanding the social costs such as addiction and deaths by suicide. This is because platforms have won legally many times and the Union government has asserted its administrative authority over these sites.

Reflecting on his struggle with his rummy addiction, Gopalakrishnan is clear on his opinion on the game of skill versus gambling debate: "This is gambling. There is no 'game of skill' here at all."

The industry is poised to grow astronomically. A report by the All-India Gaming Federation estimated that the Indian real money gaming industry would cross $2 billion in value this year. Aside from a proposed 28% Goods and Services Tax that may soon be imposed on deposits, the runway for the real money gaming industry is largely clear. The new legal framework will grant legitimacy to the concept of staking money for winnings and hand a long-dormant industry a kind of legal safety net and economic power.

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Rahul disqualified; Cong. calls it 'black day'

While BJP president J.P. Nadda said that such remarks reflected the Congress leader's "pathetic and casteist mindset", Mr. Gandhi found support from Oppositions leaders, including those who had earlier maintained a distance from the Congress such as Mamata Banerjee of the Trinamool Congress, Akhilesh Yadav of the Samajwadi Party, K. Chandrasekhar Rao of the Bharat Rashtra Samithi and Arvind Kejriwal of the Aam Admi Party.

Countering the BJP's narrative of insulting OBCs, Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge said the ruling party had made all efforts to get Mr. Gandhi disqualified for speaking truth to power. "This was not a question of backward class. Lalit Modi and Nirav Modi are not of backward class. They are trying to build a perception that Rahul Gandhi spoke against backward class. Mr. Gandhi was putting forward the truth before the country so they were not liking it," Mr. Kharge said.

Wayanad seat vacant

The Lok Sabha Secretariat notification announcing Mr. Gandhi's disqualification, issued by the Secretary General, said that it was effective from Thursday, the date of the Congress leader's conviction. "Consequent upon his conviction by the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Surat... Rahul Gandhi, Member of Lok Sabha representing the Wayanad Parliamentary Constituency of Kerala stands disqualified from the membership of Lok Sabha from the date of his conviction i.e. 23 March, 2023," the notification said.

The Lok Sabha website also showed the Wayanad Lok Sabha seat as vacant along with two other seats, Jalandhar and Lakshadweep.

Mr. Gandhi was serving his fourth term in the Lok Sabha. First elected to the House in 2004 from Amethi, he represented that constituency for two more terms. In 2019, while he lost the Amethi seat to the BJP's Smriti Irani, he won from Wayanad in Kerala.

Seeking stay order

Unless the conviction is stayed by a higher court, Mr. Gandhi will be barred from contesting elections for the next eight years. Congress member in the Rajya Sabha and senior Supreme Court advocate Abhishek Singhvi, who is advising Mr Gandhi, was hopeful of getting a stay.

Asked if that would also automatically restore Mr. Gandhi's LS membership, Mr Singhvi said that in his opinion it should, but added that he did not expect the Narendra Modi government to be fair. He also said that the Congress would move the Supreme Court if the Election Commission announced a byelection to fill the Wayanad seat.

Case chronology

Linking the court verdict to Mr. Gandhi's February 7 speech in Parliament about industrialist Gautam Adani's links with the BJP, Mr. Singhvi laid out the chronology of the case. "The complaint was filed on April 16, 2019 and the magistrate was one Mr. Dave. In June 2021, Mr. Rahul Gandhi appears in court to record his statement in person. In March 2022, the complainant [BJP MLA Purnesh Modi] files an application to summon Mr. Gandhi again. When that application is rejected, the complainant then rushes to the High Court and gets a stay of his own complaint."

The Congress leader then recounted how, after almost one year, on February 16, the complainant suddenly approached the High Court to vacate the stay, on the grounds that sufficient evidence had come on record. "The High Court vacates the stay, the man rushes back to the trial court and we get this order. Meanwhile, the magistrate is changed. We were not born yesterday," Mr. Singhvi added.

Centre to set up panel to 'improve' NPS

The Minister signalled that a new approach will be designed "for adoption by both Central and State governments".

"Representations have been received that the National Pension System for government employees needs to be improved. I propose to set up a committee under the Finance Secretary [T.V. Somanathan] to look into this issue of pensions and evolve an approach which addresses the needs of the employees while maintaining fiscal prudence to protect the common citizens," Ms. Sitharaman said.

Earlier, when the Lok Sabha convened for the day, it was adjourned for an hour in less than a minute, as Opposition members started shouting slogans to demand a joint parliamentary committee (JPC) probe into the Adani Group. Speaker Om Birla then adjourned the House until noon.

When the proceedings resumed and after papers were laid on the table of the House, Rajendra Agarwal, who was presiding over the proceedings, asked the Finance Minister to move the Finance Bill for passage.

While the Opposition members were in the Well of the House with placards and were constantly sloganeering, Ms. Sitharaman insisted she would speak on a few issues even though there were "more things" to talk about.

Apart from the panel to "evolve" the NPS, the Minister spoke about the amendments introduced to the Finance Bill to set up a GST Appellate Tribunal, and a directive to the central bank on monitoring credit card usage for foreign tours.

"There are many more things which I would like to talk about, but I certainly don't want to take more of your time," she said in conclusion. The Finance Bill was passed a few minutes later, while the Opposition continued to raise slogans.

14 Opposition parties move SC against misuse of ED, CBI by govt.

Representing a united front, the parties tell the court that there is an alarming rise in the use of coercive criminal processes against Opposition political leaders and other citizens; Chief Justice Chandrachud lists case for hearing on April 5

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court agreed on Friday to hear a joint petition filed by 14 political parties led by the Congress against the "arbitrary use" of Central agencies such as the Enforcement Directorate and the Central Bureau of Investigation by the Narendra Modi government to arrest and institute criminal proceedings against Opposition leaders who express their fundamental right to dissent or disagree with the government.

Making an urgent mention before Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud, senior advocate A.M. Singhvi drew attention to the "alarming rise in the use of coercive criminal processes against Opposition political leaders and other citizens".

Mr. Singhvi said the petition represented a united front, comprising 42% of the political spectrum and included parties like the DMK, RJD, BRS, Trinamool Congress, AAP, NCP, Shiv Sena (UBT), JMM, JD(U), CPI(M), CPI, Samajwadi Party and J&K National Conference.

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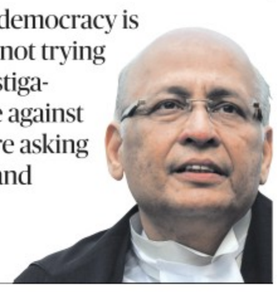

They together represent 45.19% of the votes cast in the last Assembly elections, 42.5% of the votes cast in the 2019 Lok Sabha election and hold power in 11 States and Union Territories.

"They are saying democracy is in peril... We are not trying to affect the existing investigations, but 95% of cases are against Opposition leaders. We are asking for pre-arrest guidelines and post-arrest guidelines," Mr. Singhvi submitted.

The Chief Justice listed the case for hearing on April 5. The petitioners contended that "investigating agencies such as CBI and ED are being increasingly deployed in a selective and targeted manner with a view to completely crush political dissent and upend the fundamental premises of a representative democracy". The petitioners said this was a "shocking and unconstitutional state of affairs".

Tool of harassment

"A clear trend of using ED raids as a tool of harassment, with the action rate on raids that is complaints filed pursuant to raids reducing from 93% in 2005-2014, to 29% in 2014-2022. Only 23 convictions under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) have been secured as of now, even as the number of cases registered by the ED under the PMLA have risen exponentially (from 209 in 2013-14 to 981 in 2020-21 and 1,180 in 2021-22)," they argued.

They said that, between 2004-14, of the 72 political leaders investigated by the CBI, 43 (under 60%) were from the Opposition of the time. Now, this same figure has risen to over 95%. The same pattern is reflected in the ED's investigations as well, with the proportion of Opposition leaders from the total number of politicians investigated rising from 54% (before 2014) to 95% (after 2014).

The petition has sought framing of guidelines governing the arrest, remand, and bail of persons in offences (which may or may not be punishable with imprisonment for above seven years) not involving serious bodily harm and thereby obviously excluding homicide, rape and terrorism. The petitioners suggested a "triple test" to be followed before ordering arrest and remand. These include factors like whether a person is a flight risk or whether there is a reasonable apprehension of the tampering of evidence or of the influencing/intimidation of witnesses.

Bail as rule

They also proposed alternatives like interrogation at fixed hours or at most house arrest be used to meet the demands of investigation. They said courts should follow the principle of 'bail as rule, jail as exception', especially in cases where non-violent offences are alleged.

"Where special laws such as PMLA with stringent bail conditions are concerned, the petitioners seek that such bail provisions be harmonised with Article 21 of the Constitution. As such, therefore, where it appears that the trial is unlikely to complete within 6 months, the accused be released on bail even under the special laws," they said

SC to hear Bilkis Bano's petition on March 27

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

A Supreme Court Bench of Justices K.M. Joseph and B.V. Nagarathna is scheduled on March 27 to hear petitions, including one filed by Bilkis Bano, challenging the premature release of 11 men sentenced to life imprisonment for her gang rape during the 2002 Gujarat riots.

With this, the case has been shifted from the Bench headed by Justice Ajay Rastogi.

The listing has come about after repeated mentioning made by advocate Shobha Gupta, Ms. Bano's lawyer, for an early hearing. In the last mentioning, Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud had assured Ms. Gupta that he would constitute a Bench.

The case was referred back to the Chief Justice after Justice Bela Trivedi, the Associate Judge accompanying Justice Rastogi, recused herself from hearing both Ms. Bano's petition and those filed by several individuals, including CPI (M) leader Subhashini Ali and others like Trinamool Congress leader Mahua Moitra.

'India failed to create positive impression among businesses moving away from China'

Vijaita Singh
NEW DELHI

Despite resources, India has not been able to create a positive impression among businesses moving away from China, a parliamentary panel on commerce said in a report tabled in the Rajya Sabha on Friday.

The report stated that India has not been able to take advantage of the "China Plus One Strategy," through which multinationals shifted manufacturing and production away from China. It said that other Southeast Asian countries such as Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia, and Malaysia have become bigger beneficiaries of the strategy.

The report said India's competitive position in the pharmaceutical sector is undermined by its high import dependence for bulk drugs or active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs), especially from China.

The Ministry informed the committee that in fiscal year 2022-23, till November 30, the value of total import of APIs stood at ₹27,209 crore, out of which imports from China stood at ₹18,973 crore, nearly 70% of the total share.

The import increased despite the border row with China since mid-2020, when 20 Indian soldiers were killed in violent clashes with the Chinese soldiers in Ladakh's Galwan Valley.

The committee is headed by Congress leader Abhishek Manu Singhvi.

PLI schemes

The government submitted that certain steps such as Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes have the capability to make India a more attractive location for companies looking to diversify their supply chains away from China, adding that it is striving to simplify the compliances on businesses and to improve overall business environment in the country.

It added that more than 3,500 provisions have been decriminalised by the Ministries and the States, and the Jan Vishwas Bill to amend 42 Central Acts has been introduced to enhance trust-based governance.

The committee recommended that rationalisation of direct taxes and indirect taxes must be done in sync with the international norms and laws to increase the competitiveness of domestic industries in the global markets. It also asked the government to pursue Free or Preferential Trade Agreements with countries that seek to invest in India under the 'China Plus One Strategy'.

The government informed that India has signed 13 Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and six Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs) so far, adding that FTA negotiations with the U.K, Canada and the European Union will be concluded in the "upcoming year".

Govt. extends ₹200 subsidy under PMUY by a year

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The government on Friday extended the subsidy of ₹200 per 14.2 kg LPG cylinder under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) for a year, in view of the high prices of petroleum products in the international market. The decision will benefit 9.6 crore women. The subsidy is given up to 12 refills per year

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the move, Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur told reporters.

Important to shield

This will entail an outgo of ₹7,680 crore in 2023-24 for the government, but our sisters will benefit from this, he said.

Mr. Thakur said there had been a sharp increase in international prices of LPG due to various geopolitical reasons and it was important to shield the PMUY beneficiaries from high LPG prices.

RS adjourned without taking up any major business for ninth day

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Rajya Sabha was adjourned on Friday without taking up any major business for the ninth day in the second leg of the Budget Session.

Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar warned that if the members did not use "parliamentary theatres" to voice public interest issues, the vacuum might be "filled otherwise" and that did not augur well for democracy. A private member's resolution seeking implementation of the Sachar Committee report was rejected.

The House functioned for 20 minutes in the prelunch session. The two sides sparred over the absence of Minister of State Darshana Jardosh, who was to lay papers belonging to the Textiles Ministry. He walked in later.

Mr. Dhankhar rejected all 14 notices under Rule 267. AAP MP Raghav Chadha who had moved a notice to discuss the withdrawal of the Red Notice issued by Interpol against fugitive economic offender Mehul Choksi, asked the Chairman to set a new precedent by admitting his notice. Mr. Dhankhar rejected his appeal.

Jagdeep Dhankhar

The afternoon session saw vacant Opposition benches as several members had been detained after a protest demanding a Joint Parliamentary Committee probe into the Adani issue. Deputy Chairman Harivansh adjourned the House till 3.30 p.m. When the House reconvened, DMK's M. Shanmugam was the only member present in the Opposition benches.

J&K issues new social media rules for govt. staff

The Hindu Bureau
SRINAGAR

A J&K government employee could lose his salary for a month, be demoted or terminated if he or she is found criticising the government's policies on social media platforms, according to guidelines notified by the administration on Friday.

No employee shall, by any utterance, writing or otherwise discuss or criticise in public or in any meeting of any association or body any policy pursued or action taken by the government; nor shall he in any manner participate in any such discussion or criticism, it said.

Want actions, not assurances on safety of missions: India to U.S., U.K.

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

India does not want "assurances", but expects "actions" by host countries to prevent attacks on its diplomatic missions, External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said on Friday.

Mr. Bagchi, however, refused to elaborate on the removal of external security measures from the British High Commission and the residence of the High Commissioner of the U.K. in Delhi, arguing that security issues for foreign missions in India were not handled by the Ministry.

"We have strongly taken up the matter of vandalisation and attacks on our missions in San Francisco and London. We expect host governments will take action and identify all those involved and also take necessary measures to prevent recurrence of such incidents," he said. Asked specifically if India received any assurance from the U.K. and the U.K. about prevention of such attacks, he said, "We are not interested in just assurances. We want to see actions."

The statement came a day after British Foreign Secretary James Cleverly termed the violence against the Indian High Commission by pro-Khalistan protesters in London as "unacceptable" and gave assurances that changes would be introduced in the security of the mission and its staff.

Arindam Bagchi

The protests were triggered by the Punjab Police's action against pro-Khalistan preacher Amritpal Singh.

Against this backdrop, the removal of the barricades and external security measures outside the U.K. High Commission and the residence of the High Commissioner Alex Ellis at 2, Rajaji Marg on Tuesday gain significance.

Interestingly, only the British diplomatic addresses in Delhi were subjected to this measure, while the authorities here have not taken any similar measures against the U.S. Embassy.

Asked about the reason behind such a differentiated approach towards the missions of the U.K. and the U.S., Mr. Bagchi said, "We cannot comment pertaining to the security of foreign missions in India. So, I am not going to get into individual discussions. Each security situation is assessed on its own merits."

Case lodged over protest near mission in London

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NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police Special Cell has registered a case in connection with the protest in front of the Indian High Commission in London on March 19, officials said on Friday.

The case was registered on Thursday under appropriate Sections of the Indian Penal Code, the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, and the Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act.

An officer said investigation had started as it involved unlawful activities carried out by certain people holding Indian nationality.

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> **MAMATA BANERJEE**
> West Bengal CM and TMC chief

> It is an act of cowardice symbolic of a scared government. Every one of the 130 crore people will have to come together. This is not a fight of Congress or Rahul Gandhi. This is a fight to save the country from a dictator
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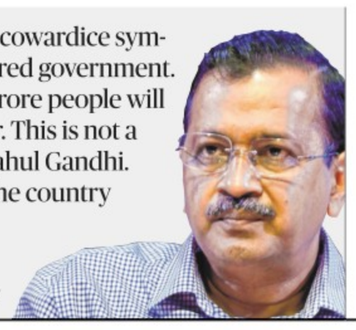
> **ARVIND KEJRIWAL**
> Delhi CM and AAP leader



> Free speech and dissent are at risk under the current disposition. If a prominent Opposition leader is targeted for his opinions, ordinary people would fear to exercise their democratic right
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> **PINARAYI VIJAYAN**
> Kerala CM and CPI(M) leader

> In U.P., the BJP has taken away membership of several SP leaders. Today the membership of Congress' biggest leader has been taken away. If we look at everything this way, then a lot of BJP members would also be disqualified
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> **AKHILESH YADAV**
> Samajwadi Party president

INBRIEF

Bihar leaders stage stir over Rahul saga, JD(U) stays away

Bihar's ruling *mahagathbandhan* – barring the Janata Dal (United) – staged a protest and march in the State Assembly premises and raised their voices inside the House on Friday, protesting against Rahul Gandhi's conviction by a Gujarat court in a defamation case and his disqualification from the Lok Sabha. JD(U) said that it was a "legal issue" and stayed away from the protest and march. Later, however, senior JD(U) leader Vijay Kumar Choudhary said, "It [Mr. Gandhi's disqualification] has surprised us, and this has not been a welcome gesture".

Murder of democracy, says Uddhav on disqualification

Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Uddhav Thackeray on Friday dubbed Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's disqualification as "murder" of democracy, saying that this is the beginning of the end of "dictatorship". "To call a thief a thief has become a crime. While those thieves and looters are still free, Mr. Gandhi is punished," he said. Minutes after the notification on the disqualification of the Congress leader came out, the Opposition Maha Vikas Aghadi staged a walkout in the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly in protest.

Rahul row: U.S. says it can't comment on an ongoing case

The U.S. on Friday kept a distance from the disqualification of Rahul Gandhi from the Lok Sabha. However, it reaffirmed the shared democratic values between the countries. "Respect for the rule of law and judicial independence is a cornerstone of any democracy... As such, we cannot comment on an ongoing case," a State Department spokesperson said via email to *The Hindu*. "U.S. officials engage regularly with the Government of India on our shared commitment to democratic values," the spokesperson added.

AAP, Trinamool, BRS, SP extend support to Rahul

Party leaders use Rahul's disqualification as opportunity to sharpen their attack against BJP; Biju Janata Dal, YSR Congress, Janata Dal (Secular) remain silent; Left parties come out in support

Sobhana K. Nair
NEW DELHI

Parties that have consistently questioned the Congress's position as the principal Opposition party – the Aam Aadmi Party, Trinamool Congress, Bharat Rashtra Samithi and Samajwadi Party – came out in support of senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Friday, hours after he was disqualified from the Lok Sabha. They used the opportunity to further sharpen their attack on the ruling BJP.

On the other hand, Opposition parties that have often been on the fence on opposing the BJP – Biju Janata Dal and YSR Congress – were eloquent in their silence. There were also no comments from the Janata Dal (Secular), which is caught in a triangular contest with the BJP and Congress in Karnataka.

'Scared of Rahul'

Speaking in the Delhi Assembly, Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal asserted that the BJP got Rahul Gandhi's membership cancelled as "they are scared of him". Mr. Kejriwal accused the BJP of running a "dictatorship" at the Centre, calling its government "more dangerous than the British rule."

"The BJP is trying to create an atmosphere in the country of one nation, one party, one leader, and do away with the Opposition. This is called dictatorship," he said.

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee also spoke out in support of Mr. Gandhi. "In PM Modi's New India, Opposition leaders have become the prime target of BJP! While BJP leaders with criminal antecedents are inducted into the cabinet, Opposition leaders are disqualified for their speeches. Today, we have witnessed a new low for our constitutional democracy," she tweeted.

Putting aside differences: Opposition MPs staging a protest near the Parliament House in New Delhi on Friday. R.V. MOORTHY

Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav, who has equated the Congress with the BJP, however, on Friday said that Mr. Gandhi's disqualification was part of a series of actions that the BJP had been taking against Opposition leaders. "These actions are to distract the public from real issues, such as runaway inflation, rising unemployment and now the latest episode of crony capitalism," he added.

'A black day'

BRS president and Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhar Rao, who has been working to build a third front without the Congress, gave his unqualified support to Mr. Gandhi. "Today is a black day in the history of Indian democracy. Rahul Gandhi's disqualification from Parliament is the height of Narendra Modi's arrogance and dictatorship... This is not the time for conflicts between parties. All democrats should openly condemn the misdeeds of the BJP government to safeguard the democracy and constitutional values in the country," he said.

'Targeting Opposition'

Communist Party of India (Marxist) general secretary Sitaram Yechury tweeted, "It's condemnable that the BJP is now using the criminal defamation route to target Opposition leaders and disqualify them, as done with Rahul Gandhi now."

Communist Party of India general secretary D. Raja said that the speed at which Mr. Gandhi was disqualified was a signal to "the sinister path BJP-RSS are taking our democracy [on]".

(with inputs from Jaideep Deo Bhanj in Delhi)

Opposition leaders stage protest march, several held

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Minutes after orders disqualifying Rahul Gandhi from the Lok Sabha were issued, the Opposition parties came together for a protest march from Parliament House to Vijay Chowk, alleging that "democracy is in danger" and reiterating their demand for a probe by the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) into the Adani issue. The Delhi Police detained many leaders quoting the imposition of Section 144.

Nationwide agitation

Meanwhile, the Congress announced that it would hold a nationwide agitation and tell the people that Mr. Gandhi was "deliberately disqualified" to gag him from speaking about the BJP's links with Mr. Adani. Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge chaired a meeting of senior leaders, Chief Ministers, Congress Legislature Party leaders and Pradesh Congress Committee chiefs at the party headquarters.

Reacting to the disqualification, party general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra said, "We won't get cowed down. We are from the family of martyrs and the blood that runs in our veins has flown for the country."

Rahul thinks he is above law; action as per rules, says BJP

Union Ministers Anurag Thakur and Dharmendra Pradhan during a press conference, at BJP headquarters in New Delhi on Friday. PTI

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The BJP on Friday called Congress leader Rahul Gandhi a "habitual offender" who believed that the law of the land did not apply to him, and asked him to reflect on why he hasn't been getting good legal advice from his own party, "despite it being full of good lawyers".

Union Ministers Dharmendra Pradhan and Anurag Thakur, addressing a press conference here, asserted that neither the BJP nor the Union government had any role in Mr. Gandhi's disqualification from Lok Sabha as the Supreme Court had made it clear that a lawmaker loses his membership from the time of his conviction in a criminal case.

'Conspiracy within'

Information and Broadcasting Minister Thakur suggested that a "conspiracy within the Congress" might have played a role in its leaders not approaching a higher court for relief for Mr. Gandhi after his conviction on Thursday as it had done so in the case of Congress spokesperson Pawan Khera within hours of the Assam Police arresting him.

"Who are the people within the Congress wanting to get rid of Rahul Gandhi," Mr. Thakur asked, noting that the party has a battery of lawyers and wondering if the former party president was deliberately put on the "wrong path".

The Congress has so far not appealed against the Surat court order convicting Mr. Gandhi in a 2019 defamation case to two years of imprisonment. "Congress party, especially the Nehru-Gandhi family, wants a separate Indian Penal Code under which they cannot be convicted. They want a separate judiciary. They suffer from a sense of entitlement and feudal mindset. They fail to understand that in a democracy the law is equal for all," said Education Minister Pradhan.

"Rahul Gandhi is a habitual offender and loose cannon. He thought he could say anything without facing any consequences," Mr. Thakur said, noting that the Congress leader is on bail in seven different cases.

He also pointed out Mr. Gandhi's poor legislative track record in Lok Sabha to claim that the people of Wayanad will be relieved to get rid of him.

Nadda calls Rahul 'casteist'; BJP to run campaign over row

Nistula Hebbar
NEW DELHI

J.P. Nadda

Hours before the Lok Sabha Secretariat notified the disqualification of Wayanad MP Rahul Gandhi as member, following his conviction by a Surat court in a case of criminal defamation, BJP president J.P. Nadda launched a strong attack on him, stating that Mr. Gandhi, by his remarks on the Modi surname had shown a "pathetic and casteist mindset" towards members of the OBC community. His statement, made over Twitter, has made it clear that the BJP has decided to launch an all out attack on Mr. Gandhi, with no quarters given.

On Thursday evening, functionaries of the All India Teli Mahasangh, many of whom carry the "Modi" surname, said in a statement that the Congress leader owed an apology to the community and that he had "started abusing people" after losing polls.

Rajya Sabha MP K. Laxman, who also heads the BJP's OBC Morcha, announced that the campaign that the OBC Morcha had planned to reach out to marginalised communities will also include Mr. Gandhi and his reported slur against the OBC community, many of whom hold the Modi surname.

It is apparent that the BJP has decided to take advantage of this issue, to overturn some of the narrative that the Samajwadi Party (SP) in Uttar Pradesh and Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) in Bihar have been trying to establish over the *Ramcharitmanas* and its selected verses that had pejorative references to marginalised classes.

This was another attempt to revive the 'Mandal vs Kamandal' (saffron politics) fissure of heartland politics. "With this remark Mr. Gandhi has scored a self goal. The BJP is the one defending the honour of OBC against the slurs aimed at them," said a senior BJP leader.

All eyes on EC over potential bypoll in Wayanad; experts raise doubt over legality

Sreeparna Chakrabarty
NEW DELHI

With the Lok Sabha Secretariat on Friday disqualifying Congress leader Rahul Gandhi as an MP, all eyes are now on the Election Commission (EC) which can now declare elections to his Wayanad constituency as it has been deemed vacant.

The notification declaring Mr. Gandhi's disqualification as an MP has been marked to the EC, as well as the Chief Electoral Officer of Kerala, among others. Thus the commission can take cognisance of the same and proceed with announcing election in Wayanad, sources in the Lok Sabha Secretariat said.

Going by recent precedents, the EC is expected to announce the election within a week. In the case of Lakshadweep MP P.P. Mohammed Faizal, the EC announced byelection to his constituency on January 18 after he was disqualified on January 13 while in the case of Uttar Pradesh strongman Azam Khan, election to his Rampur constituency was announced on November 5 following his disqualification on October 27.

Experts say the EC can issue a notification only when a seat has been announced as vacant.

Azam Khan case

In Azam Khan's case, after the EC issued the notification, the Supreme Court directed it to wait for the appeal filed by Mr. Khan in a higher court to be heard. Subsequently, the EC postponed the notification for the byelection, which was only held after an additional sessions court rejected Mr. Khan's appeal.

Similarly, in the case of Mr. Faizal, the top court had asked the EC to take cognisance of the Kerala High Court order overturning his conviction and thus the commission had to withdraw the poll notification for the Lakshadweep Lok Sabha constituency. It remains to be seen if in Mr. Gandhi's case, the commission waits for the decision of an appellate court. According to the Representation of People Act, the disqualification stands suspended if a higher court overturns the conviction.

'Legal infirmities'

Experts also say the EC should be a little cautious in Mr. Gandhi's disqualification case as the Lok Sabha notification has certain "legal infirmities". Former Lok Sabha Secretary General P.D.T. Achary said the notification mentions that Mr. Gandhi is disqualified, but does not mention that the Wayanad seat has fallen vacant. Ideally, EC can issue a notification only when a seat has been announced as vacant.

A former official of the Lok Sabha Secretariat, also pointed out that according to Article 103 of the Constitution, it is the President of India who decides on disqualification and then informs the EC and hence the LS Secretariat notification can itself be challenged by Mr. Gandhi.

Lakshadweep MP yet to be allowed to attend Lok Sabha

Sreeparna Chakrabarty
NEW DELHI

The disqualification of Lakshadweep MP P.P. Mohammed Faizal in January after his conviction by a local court for attempt to murder almost mirrors the speed with which Congress leader Rahul Gandhi was disqualified on Friday.

Curiously though, Mr. Faizal, who fought a legal battle to get himself reinstated as an MP, has not yet been allowed to attend Lok Sabha.

While Mr. Faizal told *The Hindu* that this was a deliberate attempt to keep him out of House proceedings, sources in the Lok Sabha Secretariat said that this being probably the only case of this nature, legal opinion is being sought on how to go about allowing him back into the House.

So far, there has been no formal notification from the Lok Sabha Secretariat allowing him to attend House proceedings.

"They are yet to officially revoke my disqualification and as a result of this, my constituency mobile number is still disconnected and my details are not reflected in the Lok Sabha website," Mr. Faizal said.

P.P. Mohammed Faizal

The MP who was sent a notice to vacate his official residence just a day after the disqualification hasn't yet received any notification rescinding that too.

"Me and leaders of my party have met the Speaker many times and he has only assured us that things are being set in motion," Mr. Faizal said.

Both Mr. Faizal and the NCP leader in Lok Sabha Supriya Sule had written to the Lok Sabha Speaker at least a month back seeking that his disqualification be revoked officially.

"I wish the haste with which they sent the disqualification notice had matched the speed of revoking it too," the MP added.

In Gujarat, a Minister did not resign on his conviction

Mahesh Langa
AHMEDABAD

In 2013, the then Cabinet Minister of Gujarat, Babu Bokhiria, was convicted and sentenced to three years jail in a ₹54-crore mineral theft case but he remained a Minister even after the conviction by a local Porbandar court.

Mr. Bokhiria was the Water Resources Minister then. He was a key accused in the case related to illegal mining of limestone in Porbandar district. The court had convicted him in June 2013. However, it may be noted that the top court ruling regarding disqualification of elected representatives after conviction and sentencing, came a month later in July 2013.

The then Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly, Shankarsinh Vaghela, had demanded Mr. Bokhiria's resignation from the Cabinet, immediately after the conviction. "In 2013, Babubhai [Mr. Bokhiria] was a Minister in the government of Narendra Modi as CM, who had not asked him to resign after the court's ruling," said Congress leader Arjun Modhvadia.

INBRIEF

Saurashtra-Tamil Sangamam to be held from April 17 to 26

Overwhelmed by the success of the *Kashi-Tamil Sangamam*, the Union government is set to hold the *Saurashtra-Tamil Sangamam* in Gujarat from April 17 to 26. The third will be the *Kedarnath-Tamil Sangamam*, which will celebrate the civilisational links between people from the southern part of the country and the sacred shrines of Uttarakhand in the north. Confirming this, Bharatiya Janata Party's national general secretary B.L. Santosh said that the event was at an ideation stage, and that work was under way to conceptualise the links between the two places.

AFSPA removed from 3 police station limits in Nagaland

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has further removed the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) from the jurisdiction of three police stations in Wokha and Zunheboto districts of Nagaland, while one more police station in Arunachal Pradesh has been declared as a "disturbed area" under the Act, according to a notification. The AFSPA has been extended in eight districts and 21 police stations in five other districts of Nagaland for another six months, down from nine districts earlier. The eight districts where the AFSPA has been extended are Dimapur, Niuland, Chumoukedima, Mon, Kiphire, Noklak, Phek and Peren in Nagaland.

Prisoners on parole during pandemic must surrender: SC

The Supreme Court on Friday gave nearly 4,000 undertrial prisoners and convicts, who were given emergency parole and interim bail to make more room within Delhi prisons during peak pandemic period, to surrender within the next 15 days. A Bench led by Justice M.R. Shah said it was open for undertrial prisoners to then apply for bail before the competent courts. Similarly, convicts who have surrendered within 15 days could apply for suspension of sentence before the courts in which their appeals are pending. The judgment said that out of 751 convicts who were released on emergency parole, 71 had surrendered voluntarily.

SC relief to members of Christian community in U.P.

The Supreme Court on Friday protected members of the Christian community from coercive action by the Uttar Pradesh Police on the basis of an FIR registered under the anti-religious conversion law. A Bench led by CJI D.Y. Chandrachud issued notice to Uttar Pradesh after senior advocate Dushyant Dave, appearing for the petitioners, said the FIR was a "cock-and-bull story" of "mass conversion". He said the police action amounted to the "abuse of the process of law". He said the police have filed multiple FIRs against the same persons in the same incident, violating their fundamental right under Article 20(2) of the Constitution.

Membership of banned outfit is crime under UAPA, says SC

The top court has set aside its own judgments that had concluded that mere membership — unlike active membership — of an unlawful group did not make a person criminal or a terrorist

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

A three-judge Bench of the Supreme Court on Friday clarified that a person who "is or continues to be" even a "mere member" of a banned organisation is liable to be found criminally liable under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) for acting against the sovereignty and integrity of India.

With this judgment, the Supreme Court has set aside a series of its own judgments which had concluded that "mere membership" – unlike "active membership" – of an unlawful association or organisation did not make a person criminal or a terrorist. The judgment, on Friday, was based on an intra-court reference made in 2014.

The Bench led by Justice M.R. Shah, who wrote the judgment, was lauded by Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, representing the Centre, in the courtroom for the "historical" verdict.

Those who have left a banned organisation could not be held liable under UAPA, the SC said.

"Immensely grateful to Your Lordships for this really historical judgment to protect the sovereignty of our country," Mr. Mehta said immediately after the pronouncement of the judgment.

Justice Shah reasoned that an organisation is declared unlawful and banned only after the Centre is "satisfied that it is indulging in unlawful activities against the sovereignty and integrity of India".

The declaration of an organisation or association as unlawful is publicly notified by the Centre under Section 3 of the UAPA. This naturally leads to the conclusion that every member of the organisation would know about the ban, the court reasoned.

But a person choosing to continue as a member despite knowing about the ban is acting against the sovereignty of the nation, the court noted.

Such a person cannot later claim that the law has a chilling effect on his fundamental right of association by imposing criminal liability on him, Justice Shah explained.

The judgment referred to Section 10(a)(i) of the UAPA which deals with membership of an unlawful association.

The provision says that "where an association is declared unlawful by a notification issued under Section 3 which has become effective under sub-section (3) of that section, –(a) a person, who – (i) is and continues to be a member of such association shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and shall also be liable to fine".

The court clarified that persons who had left the organisation and were not members at the time it was declared unlawful, cannot be held liable under Section 10(a)(i) of the UAPA.

The court referred to Article 19(4), which mandated that the citizens' right to form unions or associations was subject to the power of the state to make laws to impose "reasonable restrictions" in the interests of the sovereignty and integrity of India or public order or morality.

The three-judge Bench said the earlier judgments in the cases of Arup Bhuyan, Sri Indra Das and Raneef, which had "read down" Section 10(a)(i) to exclude mere membership of an organisation from criminal liability, followed the American law blindly.

These judgments had not heeded the restraints stitched into Article 19(4) on the right of citizens to form associations. "Just following the American law without noticing differences between Indian and U.S. laws is not agreeable," Justice Shah said.

ICMR releases ethical guidelines for AI usage in healthcare

Bindu Shajan Perappadan
NEW DELHI

It aims at creating an ethics framework for development, deployment, and adoption of solutions in AI space

The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has released the country's first 'Ethical Guidelines for Application of Artificial Intelligence in Biomedical Research and Healthcare', aimed at creating "an ethics framework which can assist in the development, deployment, and adoption of AI-based solutions" in the fields specified.

Through this, they hope to make "AI-assisted platforms available for the benefit of largest section of common people with safety and highest precision possible," while also addressing emerging ethical challenges when it comes to Artificial Intelligence in biomedical research and healthcare delivery.

To be updated

The document, prepared by the Department of Health Research and the ICMR Artificial Intelligence Cell, Delhi, will be updated as and when the need arises, said a senior Health Ministry official.

Developed through extensive discussions with experts and ethicists, the guidelines include sections on ethical principles, guiding principles for stakeholders, an ethics review process, governance of AI usage, and informed consent.

"It [the document] is intended for all stakeholders involved in research on AI in biomedical research and healthcare, including creators, developers, researchers, clinicians, ethics committees, institutions, sponsors, and funding organisations," said Dr. Rajiv Bahl, Director-General, ICMR. As per the guidelines, the ethical review process for artificial intelligence in health comes under the domain of the ethics committee.

The document notes that the regulation of AI technologies in healthcare is still in its nascent stage even in developed countries.

Buoyed by the success of tulip garden in Srinagar, J&K gets more zones that are set to bloom

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

First popularised by Amitabh Bachchan-starrer Bollywood movie *Silsila* in 1981, the short-lived tulip gardens are being multiplied on larger scale in other districts of the Union Territory (U.T.), in the wake of success of the Srinagar tulip garden that draws tourists and locals in droves every spring season.

Bloom time: Hundreds of tourists visit the Srinagar garden to witness 15 lakh multicolour tulips. NISSAR AHMAD

Sanasar, a cup-shaped green meadow encircled by tall cedars, in Ramban district in the Jammu province started a four-kanal (0.5 acre) tulip garden in 2017-18 with 28,000 to 30,000 tulip bulbs.

"This year, the area earmarked for the tulip garden at Sanasar has been expanded to 35-40 kanals (five acres) with 2.7 lakh tulip bulbs of more than 20 varieties," officials said.

Mussarat Zia, Deputy Commissioner, Ramban, described the Sanasar tulip garden as "Srinagar's kid tulip cousin".

"Now expanded to 40 kanals, it will spread its colourful fragrance in the last week of March," Mr. Zia said in a tweet. In Udhampur district, locals are queuing up to witness the spectacle of tulips blooming, planted in hundreds of rows.

The Floriculture Department has planted 12,000 bulbs of five different varieties at the Highland Park, Kud, Udhampur. The garden is also under an expansion plan in the future.

Buoyed by growing footfall of tourists at the Srinagar tulip garden that is spread over 30 hectares, tulip flowers, one of the first few flowers to bloom after a protracted winters in Kashmir, are becoming signatory flowers to the Valley gardens, even though the blooming remains only three to five weeks. Hundreds of tourists visit the Srinagar garden to witness long rows of over 15 lakh multicolour tulips of around 70 varieties.

GISAID temporarily lifts ban on authors of Zenodo report

R. Prasad
CHENNAI

On March 21, a day after GISAID (an open-access influenza genome database launched in 2008) suspended access to all authors of a report posted on Zenodo, the public database reversed its stand and lifted the temporary access restrictions to all the authors.

In an email to *The Hindu*, a spokesperson of GISAID Media said that it decided to temporarily lift access restriction after the authors reached out to GISAID and "acknowledged receipt of GISAID's earlier communications" and expressed their "eagerness to resolve the matter expeditiously".

As per the spokesperson, GISAID reversed its stand and lifted the temporary access restrictions as a "show of goodwill" and did so after it received a reply from the authors soon after the GISAID released a statement on March 21.

"The review is not complete," the spokesperson said in the email.

"Lifting temporary access restrictions is not, in itself, determinative or otherwise indicative of the conclusion of any data use investigation," the spokesperson added.

The spokesperson said that the authors were informed that "publishing a work using the data at issue would violate GISAID's database access agreement. Despite this knowledge, the authors nevertheless published their work, which blindsided GISAID."

GISAID opened an inquiry when it received a complaint from Chinese CDC researchers about their interaction with two of the co-authors of the report, who "communicated their intent to make certain use of data generated by the China CDC that was non-compliant".

NIA files chargesheet against Goldy Brar, Bishnoi

Devesh Pandey
NEW DELHI

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Friday filed a chargesheet against gangsters Lawrence Bishnoi and Goldy Brar, along with 12 others having links with the proscribed Babbar Khalsa International (BKI) and other pro-Khalistan terrorist outfits.

"Bishnoi, in custody since 2015, has been operating his terror-crime syndicate from jails in different States, in coordination with Canada-based Brar, who is an accused in the killing of Pradeep Kumar, a Dera Sacha Sauda follower, in Faridkot last November," said an agency official.

According to the NIA, Bishnoi's "terror-crime-extortion" syndicate was responsible for arranging people to execute the Rocket-Propelled Grenade (RPG) attack on the Punjab State Intelligence headquarters (Mohali) in May 2022.

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(set by Dr. X)

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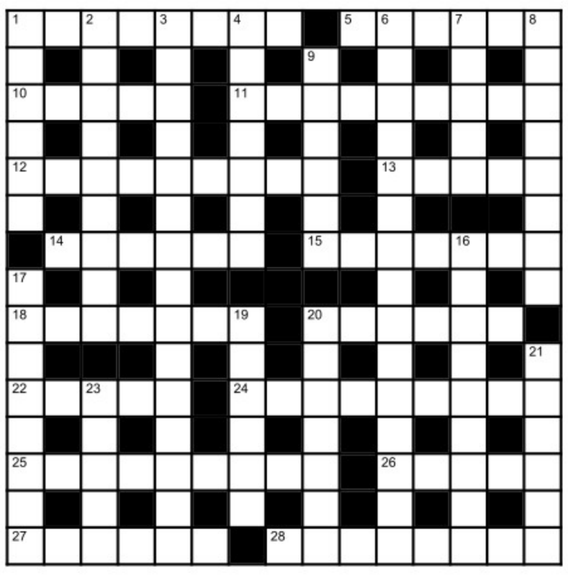

Across

1 Give fruit salad right away to refugee (8)
5 Billion accepted in banknotes for castle in N. African town (6)
10 Time to accumulate runs with bit of ease in match (5)
11 Emission percentage cut by revolutionary contribution (9)
12 Cackling back, gigantic creature grabs raptor's head (9)
13 What baby wears to sleep extremely peacefully? (5)
14 Shudder as criminal finally enters court (6)
15 Old boy starting to turn impolite and impose in an unwelcome way (7)
18 Fantastic bistro alongside lake in English city (7)
20 Owing money, one criminal returns to smuggle heroin at Cambodia (2,4)
22 Right after sacrificing rook, captures queen resulting in mate (5)
24 Composed a nice tune, say (9)
25 I hear vicar went berserk, scoring ecstasy in noisy mock serenade (9)
26 Yellowish-green colour, a little garish for large pointed arch (5)
27 Sledge, insult endlessly to crush England's opener (6)
28 Revelations by meek gal as rogue wants money (8)

Down

1 Fine footpath having good raised edge (6)
2 Briefly return to pick up racy loose blouse (9)
3 It's impossible to know with certainty as raconteur is absent? (6,2,7)
4 Leave rupees inside coat (7)
6 Acting with haste, hit and bolt as fast as possible (7,3,5)
7 Airship starting to malfunction in unforeseen irregularity (5)
8 Sharpen tip of dagger to pierce tree for sugary secretion (8)
9 A cheat ensnaring American girl on island slowly (6)
16 Applying packs, treat acne that's persistent (9)
17 Releases repressed emotions in seedy cabarets (8)
19 Lodge has small revolting room (6)
20 One maniac at store kills fellow - pointless (7)
21 Warns comrade tersely to hide (6)
23 University teacher's rule (5)

SUDOKU

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Solution to previous puzzle

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

The mission of Sri Krishna

Jnanis out of deep devotion always think of God and Godly deeds. Their mind will refuse to be away even for a short while. But the demon Kamsa was ever in the thought of Lord Krishna, not out of devotion but out of sheer fear. Kamsa was afraid to be seated on his throne fearing whether Krishna would be hiding in it. He refused to take his food served by his two wives out of the consternation whether Krishna would be in their form. He stopped his security guards fearing whether Krishna would be in the guise of them.

All his daily activities were tainted with the trepidation of Krishna and Kamsa was robbed of his mental peace. The devil Kamsa who had unleashed terror and created fear in the minds of celestials was terribly upset and afraid of hearing the very name Krishna out of diffidence.

He had sent Poothana, the demoness, and asuras like Kesi, Trinavartha, Arishtasura and Vrishabasura to kill Krishna but they had not returned. So he changed his game plan to send a noble and pious personality and Akrura was selected to bring Krishna.

The people of Gokulam felt like a blind getting back the vision and again losing the same. They thought at least Lord Rama was in exile only for fourteen years and returned back.

The Gopikas felt that Sri Sita was in the turmoil of separation from Rama only for ten months. They felt loathed whether Krishna would return back.

But Lord Krishna was all set to depart to Mathura on his mission of destroying the evil and protecting the good people, said Sri Hariji in a discourse.

OTTAWA

Biden discusses trade, migration issues with Canadian PM Trudeau

AFP

U.S. President Joe Biden met on Friday with Canada PM Justin Trudeau amid reports that a deal has been struck on managing undocumented migration across the border. As per reports, Canada will be able to turn back illegal migrants at the Roxham Road crossing point on the frontier between New York and Quebec. AFP

KIGALI

'Hotel Rwanda' hero Rusesabagina to be released from prison

AP

Ailing 'Hotel Rwanda' hero Paul Rusesabagina was set to be released after the government said on Friday it has commuted a 25-year jail sentence against the fiercely outspoken critic of President Paul Kagame. This comes after Mr. Kagame said Kigali was looking into resolving Rusesabagina's case. AFP

MANILA

Philippines confronts Chinese diplomats over sea disputes

AP

Filipino diplomats confronted Chinese officials on Friday over China's aggressive behaviour in the South China Sea, but no major resolution was reached, an official said. A Philippine official involved in the talks said that diplomats outlined incidents underscoring China's assertiveness in the closed-door talks. AP

RIYADH

Saudi Arabia, Syria may restore ties as West Asia reshuffles continue

AFP

Saudi Arabia is in talks with Syria to reopen its embassy in the war-torn nation for the first time in a decade, state TV in the kingdom reported on late Thursday, the latest diplomatic reshuffling in West Asia. Saudi state TV aired a report, quoting an official, acknowledging the talks between both countries. AP

Macron under pressure as scores injured in protests

More than 450 people were arrested on Thursday during the most violent day of protests since the start of the year against French President's bid to raise the retirement age to 64

Agence France-Presse
PARIS

French President Emmanuel Macron faced mounting pressure on Friday after violent demonstrations that left more than 400 security forces injured and the centre of major cities shrouded in tear gas and smoke. Over 450 people were arrested on Thursday during the most violent day of protests since the start of the year against Mr. Macron's bid to raise the retirement age to 64.

Police personnel in riot gear deployed in Frontignan on Friday as protest over pensions Bill turns violent in France. AFP

"There were a lot of demonstrations and some of them turned violent, notably in Paris," Interior Minister Gerald Darmanin told the *CNews* channel while giving figures for the number of arrests and injured. Over 900 fires were lit around the capital on Thursday, he said, with radical anarchist groups blamed for setting uncollected rubbish ablaze and smashing shop windows, leading to frequent clashes with riot police.

In Bordeaux, protesters set fire to the entrance to city hall, briefly raising fears for the whole building until firefighters arrived to extinguish it.

"Why would you make a target of our communal building, of all people of Bordeaux? I can only condemn it in the strongest possible terms," the mayor of Bordeaux, Pierre Hurmic, told *RTL* radio. Over a million people marched nationwide on Thursday, with the protest movement reinvigorated by Mr. Macron's tactics and statements over the last week.

Uproar over legislation to change the retirement age has created another huge domestic crisis for the president 10 months into his second term in office. But Mr. Darmanin, a hardliner in the government, dismissed calls from political opponents and protesters to withdraw the pensions reform.

King Charles postpones trip to France amid protests

Associated Press
PARIS

Protesters angry at French President Emmanuel Macron's pension reforms continued with scattered actions on Friday, as the unrest across the country led officials to postpone a planned state visit by Britain's King Charles III.

Although no major protests were planned on Friday, train traffic was slowed, rows of trucks blocked access to Marseille's commercial port and debris still littered the Paris streets.

Mr. Macron's office announced that a state visit by the British king was postponed. He had been scheduled to arrive in France on Sunday, before heading to Germany on Wednesday. The German part of the trip was still going ahead.

China says it does not ask companies for foreign data as row over TikTok grows

Agence France-Presse
BEIJING

China insisted on Friday it does not ask companies to hand over data gathered overseas, as the Chinese-owned TikTok faces mounting calls for a ban in the U.S. Pressure is building on the massively popular video-sharing app – owned by the Chinese firm Bytedance – to obtain new ownership or lose access to the enormous U.S. market.

In a gruelling five-hour hearing with U.S. lawmakers on Thursday, TikTok CEO Shou Zi Chew faced relentless questioning from combative U.S. lawmakers on both sides of the political aisle over the app's ties to China and its danger to teens.

At the crux of much of the fears over TikTok is a 2017 Chinese law that requires local firms to hand over personal data to the state if it is relevant to national security.

Shou Zi Chew

Beijing on Friday denied it would ask Chinese firms to hand over data gathered overseas and claimed it "attaches great importance to protecting data privacy". China "has never and will not require companies or individuals to collect or provide data located in a foreign country", Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning said.

"The U.S. government has so far not provided any evidence that TikTok poses a threat to its national security," Ms. Mao added.

Mr. Chew was forced to acknowledge that some personal data of Americans was still subject to Chinese law, but insisted that would soon be changed. The firm also acknowledged in November that some employees in China could access European user data and then admitted in December that employees had used the data to spy on journalists.

But the group has insisted that the Chinese government has no control over or access to its data.

"ByteDance is not owned or controlled by the Chinese government and is a private company," Mr. Chew told lawmakers in his opening remarks.

14 dead in U.S. strikes on Syria in revenge over drone attack

Agence France-Presse
BEIRUT

Fourteen pro-Iran fighters were killed in U.S. air strikes on Syria carried out in retaliation for a drone attack that killed an American and wounded six others, a war monitor said Friday. A U.S. contractor was killed, and another contractor and five service personnel were wounded, when a kamikaze drone "of Iranian origin" struck a maintenance facility on a base of the U.S.-led coalition near Hasakeh in Syria, the Pentagon said.

In response, U.S. Defence Secretary Lloyd Austin said on Thursday that he had ordered "precision air strikes tonight in eastern Syria against facilities used by groups affiliated with Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps".

The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a U.K.-based monitor with sources on the ground, said 11 people had been killed by strikes, including two Syrians.

Missile strikes by Russia in Ukraine kill 10 civilians, injure 20: Zelensky's office

Associated Press
KYIV

Russian long-range strikes killed at least 10 civilians and wounded 20 others in several areas of Ukraine on Friday, Ukraine's presidential office said, as a senior Moscow official warned that the Kremlin's forces were prepared for an expected Ukrainian counteroffensive in the coming weeks.

Five people died in Kostiantynivka, a town in eastern Ukraine's Donetsk province, when a Russian missile hit an aid station. Ukrainian authorities last year established hundreds of so-called "points of invincibility," where residents hard-pressed by the war could warm up, charge their cellphones and get snacks.

Local prosecutors said the Russians attacked Kostyantynivka with S-300 anti-aircraft missiles. The civilians who died were refugees, according to Donetsk Governor Pavlo Kyrylenko. As the mostly artillery war of the recent winter months stretched into its second spring, Russian forces also used air-launched missiles, exploding drones and gliding bombs in their attacks on several regions early on Friday, Ukrainian Air Force spokesman Yurii Ihnat said.

Two civilians were killed and nine were wounded in the Sumy province town of Bilopillia by a nighttime rocket and artillery barrage and air strikes, the administration of the northeast region said.

In the southern Kherson region, which Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky visited on Thursday, Russian shelling killed one person in the main city, also called Kherson, and killed another person and wounded four others in the town of Bilozerka.

On Wednesday, a Russian drone attack struck a high school and dormitories south of Kyiv, killing at least nine people.

Kyiv's forces are poised to use the improved spring weather and the arrival of modern weapons supplied by its Western allies, including tanks, to launch a counteroffensive aimed at dislodging Russian troops from occupied areas of Ukraine.

China warns U.S. Navy over warship's action

Associated Press
BANGKOK

China threatened "serious consequences" on Friday after the U.S. Navy sailed a destroyer around Paracel Islands in the South China Sea for the second day, in a move Beijing claimed was a violation of its sovereignty and security.

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ऑनलाईन बिड खोलने की तिथि	14 / 03 / 2023 को 2.00 पी.एम.	28 / 03 / 2023 को 2.00 पी.एम.

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Tested underwater drone able to trigger a radioactive tsunami, says North Korea

Agence France-Presse
SEOUL

North Korea claimed on Friday it had tested an underwater nuclear attack drone able to unleash a "radioactive tsunami", as it blamed recent U.S.-South Korea exercises for a deteriorating regional security situation. Pyongyang carried out military drills of its own in response this week, the *Korean Central News Agency* said, including test-firing a new nuclear-capable underwater drone.

The mission is to "stealthily infiltrate into operational waters and make a super-scale radioactive tsunami... to destroy naval striker groups and major operational ports of the enemy," it said. The new weapon, called Haeil which means tsunami in Korean, "can be deployed at any coast and port or towed by a surface ship for operation," the report said.

The photo shows underwater blast after nuclear attack in North Korea. AP

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un oversaw the tests, and images released by Pyongyang's Rodong Sinmun newspaper showed a smiling Kim and what appeared to be an underwater explosion.

The agency also said Pyongyang had fired strategic cruise missiles "tipped with a test warhead simulating a nuclear warhead" on Wednesday.

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a-IDEA, Technology Business Incubator of ICAR-NAARM Hyderabad, invites eligible candidates for Walk in Interview, on **29th March 2023** at NAARM, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad for the post of **Finance Executive (1 Post), Project Assistant (1 Post)** on contractual basis. Eligible candidates may attend the interview with relevant document. The details of Job description can be obtained from our website **https://aidea.naarm.org.in/careers.php or https://naarm.org.in/announcements/careers/**

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Bid Identification No. C.C.E.J.C (R&B)-21/2022-23
No. 1662, Date. 20.03.2023

1.	Nature of the Work	: BRIDGE & BUILDING WORKS
2.	Total No. of Works	: 02 (Two) Nos.
3.	Estimated Cost	: Rs.502.49 Lakhs to 582.68 Lakhs As per works.
4.	Period of completion	: 09 (Nine) Months to 11 (Eleven) Months as per sl no.04 of IFB
5.	Cost of Bid Document	: Rs.10,000/- Each.
6.	Bid Security (EMD)	: As per Column No-06 of IFB
7.	Class of Contractor	: "A" Class as per cl.no.05 of TCN & according to Financial Eligibility
8.	Date & time of availability of Bid document in the portal.	: from 10.00 hours of 29.03.2023 to 17.00 hours of 12.04.2023.
9.	Last date / Time for receipt of bids in the Portal.	: 17.00 hours of 12.04.2023.
10.	Opening date of Bid	: 10.00 hours of 13.04.2023
11.	Name and address of the Officer Inviting Bid	: Chief Construction Engineer, Jeypore (R&B) Circle, Jeypore.

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INBRIEF

Blue Star introduces 75 air conditioners at various prices

Blue Star Ltd. unveiled almost 75 models of air-conditioners across price points "With Blue Star Climatech Ltd.'s new automated plant at Sri City in place, we intend to leverage the synergies between the firm and this plant, to enable Blue Star to further accelerate growth in the room AC segment, especially in Tier 2, 3, 4, and 5 markets, apart from Tier 1," said B. Thiagarajan, MD. "We will continue to invest in expanding distribution footprint and enhancing R&D capabilities."

Two Adani stocks to move to ASM Stage-1 from March 27

The NSE and BSE on Friday said Adani Total Gas and Adani Transmission will move to the first stage of the long-term additional surveillance measure framework from March 27. On March 10, both exchanges put the two companies under the second stage of the long-term Additional Surveillance Measure (ASM) framework. Meanwhile, stocks of seven Adani Group companies out of the ten-listed entities ended the day in the negative territory on Friday amid a weak trend in the broader market. PTI

Swelect subsidiary to make solar panels in Tamil Nadu

Swelect HHV Solar Photovoltaics Private Limited, a subsidiary of Swelect Energy Systems, has commissioned a plant in Coimbatore to make solar energy panels. The fully-automated manufacturing unit, that had come up with an investment of ₹120 crore, had the capacity to produce 700 MW of solar panels a year, R. Chellappan, Founder and Managing Director, Swelect, told the media here on Friday.

'G20 sees inflation as sticky, to extend policy tightening'

Participants do not envisage current banking turmoil leading to a systemic crisis; prefer to tackle financial stability risks separately, do not view them as a constraint to rate increases: Nageswaran

Sanjay Vijayakumar
CHENNAI

Most G20 countries see inflation as being sticky and easing more slowly than they would like and have reiterated they would remain on track with monetary tightening, said V. Anantha Nageswaran, India's Chief Economic Advisor and co-chair of the Second G20 Framework Working Group meeting.

Most member countries are also of the view that financial stability risks can be handled separately and need not constrain further interest rate increases if required, he said at a media interaction on Friday, the first day of the meeting.

On the current banking turmoil in the western world, Mr. Nageswaran said the prevailing sentiment expressed by members was that it need not lead to a systemic crisis and that policy makers have things under control and are responding to developments as warranted.

"On the Fed's statement that additional interest rate increases may be needed, I think people are focusing on the word 'may' instead of 'will', which suggests some dilution or open mindedness when compared to their commentary at the end of January," he said.

Collective concern

Most G20 countries see sticky inflation as the major concern and are focussed on restoration of price stability, says CEA

- Majority see inflation easing more slowly than they would like and are set on sticking with monetary tightening
- Authorities see policy makers having situation under control, being prepared to respond to developments as warranted
- U.S. Fed's latest comments signal more open mindedness on rate path: CEA

Govt. scraps long-term tax benefit for debt funds

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Returns from such funds will now be treated as short term capital gains; move to also hit gold funds

The government has scrapped the long-term capital gains treatment (with indexation benefits) for income from debt mutual funds and other schemes that invest up to 35% in equity shares of domestic companies.

The returns from such funds will now be treated as short term capital gains. Currently, capital gains arising from transfer of mutual fund units, other than equity-oriented funds held for more than three years, are considered as long-term investments and taxed at 20% with indexation benefits.

"The amendment will treat gains from transfer of units of specified mutual funds as short term and tax them at slab rates," said Tapati Ghose, partner at Deloitte India. "The proposed move seems to bring taxation of such mutual funds on par with bank deposits and will impact such investments made on or after April 1, 2023," she said.

Noting that these tax changes would also apply to categories such as gold funds, international funds and domestic fund of funds that have an equity exposure of up to 35%, V.K. Vijayakumar, chief investment strategist at Geojit Financial Services said there would be far reaching consequences.

Roopali Prabhu, chief investment officer and executive director at JM Financial, said investors would have to take higher risks due to this shift.

Tax tweaks drag Sensex down by 0.7%

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

The S&P BSE Sensex fell 0.69% on Friday to 57,527.10 after passage of the Finance Bill incorporating the withdrawal of indexation benefits for debt mutual funds weighed on investor sentiment.

Bajaj Finserv led declines, sliding 3.81%. Bajaj Finance (3.19%), Tata Steel (2.58%) and Reliance (1.96%) were other losers.

"The asset management industry was hit hard by tax changes," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Financial Services.

Govt. raises Securities Transaction Tax on derivatives

Vikas Dhoot
NEW DELHI

The Government has raised the Securities Transaction Tax (STT) on futures and options contracts in the stock market by 25% from April 1, 2023, a move that may push some traders to offshore markets and dent trading volumes on the bourses.

Options contracts will now attract 0.0625% STT, from 0.05% earlier, and futures contracts will attract a levy of 0.0125%, up from 0.01%, officials said after the Finance Bill was cleared by the Lok Sabha on Friday.

"While the proposed increase in STT will shore up revenues of the government to a certain extent, the main idea behind this could be to discourage excessive trading in the futures and options (F&O) segment where a large number of retail traders end up losing money," Deepak Jasani, head of retail research at HDFC Securities, told *The Hindu*.

"An incidental effect of this could be shifting the F&O trades to other locations that do not attract such taxes for participants who have access to them," he added.

The measure will have the intended effect of curbing excessive F&O trades only in flat markets as when markets are volatile, traders will hope to offset the higher tax by higher payoffs, Mr. Jasani added.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	FRIDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	57,527	-0.69
US Dollar	82.50	-0.36
Gold	59,450	0.17
Brent oil	74.35	-3.70

NIFTY 50

	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	1740.65	-53.35
Adani Ports	638.00	-16.95
Apollo Hosp	4283.35	10.30
Asian Paints	2798.50	0.70
Axis Bank	839.90	-8.90
Bajaj Auto	3827.90	-35.05
Bajaj Finserv	1240.65	-49.35
Bajaj Finance	5649.25	-183.80
Bharti Airtel	762.45	-1.10
BPCL	345.40	-2.95
Britannia Ind	4199.95	-42.75
Cipla	877.25	8.15
Coal India	208.45	-4.90
Divis Lab	2807.00	3.90
Dr Reddys Lab	4464.15	17.20
Eicher Motors	2909.60	-18.10
Grasim Ind	1594.30	-11.65
HCL Tech	1051.75	-14.15
HDFC	2559.90	-9.95
HDFC Bank	1560.65	-2.50
HDFC Life	492.25	-6.30
Hero MotoCorp	2313.35	-49.15
Hindalco	388.40	-10.40
Hind Unilever	2480.80	-4.30
ICICI Bank	852.40	-3.05
IndusInd Bank	1009.55	-8.70
Infosys	1380.65	6.10
ITC	378.70	-1.95
JSW Steel	657.80	-10.00
Kotak Bank	1692.15	12.45
L&T	2166.15	-40.50
M&M	1150.80	-14.15
Maruti Suzuki	8242.90	-110.30
NestleIndia	18953.10	-91.35
NTPC	172.70	-1.90
ONGC	149.40	-3.40
PowerGrid Corp	222.40	0.25
Reliance Ind	2203.30	-44.50
SBI Life	1112.20	-6.45
State Bank	505.35	-7.40
Sun Pharma	972.85	-4.80
TataConsumerProduct	702.35	-4.80
Tata Motors	416.50	-2.65
Tata Steel	102.10	-2.80
TCS	3120.50	-4.15
Tech Mahindra	1101.95	2.50
Titan	2493.35	-25.70
UltraTech Cement	7405.65	-2.30
UPL	696.90	-12.80
Wipro	361.75	0.25

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on March 24

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	82.28	82.60
Euro	88.34	88.71
British Pound	100.51	100.91
Japanese Yen (100)	63.33	63.58
Chinese Yuan	11.96	12.01
Swiss Franc	89.49	89.89
Singapore Dollar	61.71	61.96
Canadian Dollar	59.75	60.00
Malaysian Ringitt	18.58	18.66
Australian Dollar	54.65	54.87

Source:Indian Bank

RBI asked to monitor card spending under LRS for tax purposes

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Seeking to tighten the implementation of the increased 20% tax collection at source norm for foreign remittances introduced in Budget 2023-24, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday said the RBI has been asked to monitor the use of credit cards for foreign travel purposes.

"It has been represented that payments for foreign tours through credit cards are not being captured under the Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) and such payments escape tax collection at source (TCS)," Ms. Sitharaman said about the scheme that governs foreign exchange spending by Indians. "The Reserve Bank is being requested to look into this with a view to bring credit card payments for foreign tours within the ambit of LRS and tax collection on source, thereon," she said.

Tax consultants said the monitoring effort could prove challenging. "Credit cards usage overseas was always a part of LRS and it would be interesting to learn how RBI will monitor these," said Hemal Mehta, partner at Deloitte India. The volume of such transactions could be huge and data analytics may have to be deployed to scrutinise these, he pointed out.

NSE to roll back 6% increase in transaction charges

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

The Board of Directors of the National Stock Exchange Ltd (NSE) has decided to roll back the 6% increase in transaction charges in the cash market segment and the equity derivatives segment, with effect from April 1, 2023.

The charges were earlier increased by 6% from January 1, 2021, partly to augment the NSE Investor Protection Fund Trust corpus for certain market exigencies, NSE said in a statement.

"Further with objective to systematically augment the corpus of NSE IPFT, it was also decided to recalibrate the contribution to NSE IPFT from ₹0.01 per crore to ₹10 per crore in cash equities market segment and equity futures and ₹0.01 per crore to ₹50 per crore in equity options," the statement added.

This reduction in transaction charges will lead to an effective reduction in the impact of overall transaction charges of around 4%, NSE said.

Ansell opens $20 million surgical gloves plant in TN

M. Soundariya Preetha
COIMBATORE

Australian personal protective equipments manufacturer Ansell has opened a factory at Perundurai, Tamil Nadu with an initial investment of $20 million to make surgical gloves.

Neil Salmon, the company's managing director and CEO, told *The Hindu* that the company has plans to make industrial gloves also in India, but added that the proposal is in a primitive stage.

The plant, located about 80km from Coimbatore, will be Ansell's largest surgical gloves production facility globally.

Lok Sabha approves setting up of GST Appellate Tribunal

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Appellate Tribunal benches would be set up in each State with the principal bench in New Delhi

Lok Sabha on Friday cleared changes in the Finance Bill to pave the way for setting up of an appellate tribunal for resolution of disputes under GST.

Currently, taxpayers are filing writ petitions before high courts in the absence of an appellate tribunal.

As per the amendments proposed in the Finance Bill 2023, which were passed by the Lok Sabha on Friday, benches of the GST Appellate Tribunal would be set up in every State while there will be a principal bench in Delhi which will hear appeals related to 'place of supply.'

Even after more than five years of implementation of the Goods and Services Tax, the appellate tribunal had not been set up. As a result, unresolved legal matters accumulated.

Nangia Andersen India's Tanushree Roy, Director-Indirect Tax, said the tribunals would lower burden on high courts, Supreme Court and provide taxpayers reprieve.

Cabinet clears DA increase for Central govt. staff

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Union Cabinet on Friday approved an increase in the dearness allowance for government employees and dearness relief for pensioners to 42%, from 38%, effective from January this year.

"This will mean an annual expenditure of ₹12,815 crore, but in 2023-24, it will include payments from January... so an expenditure of ₹14,951.52 crore will be incurred," Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting Anurag Thakur said. This will benefit about 47.58 lakh Central Government employees.

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-Tender Notice

Tender No : e-Tender No 79, 99, 100/2022-23/ SE/PHC/ALP, **KIIFB Project :** Tranche 13: WRD 025 - 29 - Kuttanadu Drinking Water Project. - Package I - Construction of Intake structure cum Pump house, Laying of Raw water and Clearwater pumping main, Construction of 30 MLD WTP and allied works - General Civil Work; PACKAGE IV - Construction of 6 LL OHSR at Thakazhi and Supply and laying of distribution network at Edathua, Veeyapuram, Thalavady and Thakazhy - Pipeline Work; and Package V - Construction of OHSRs, Supply and laying of distribution network at Muttar, Veliyanadu, Neelamperoor andrehabilitation of existing OHSRs at Muttar, Veliyanad and Neelamperoor - General Civil Work. **EMD :** Rs. 5,00,000/-, **Tender Fee :** Rs.19,518/-, **Last Date for Submitting Tender :** 17-04-2023, 02:00 pm, **Phone :** 0477 - 2237954.
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2. **Tender No. 105/MYS/VARNIKA-32/2022-23** – Supply, Installation, Commissioning, Training and Performance Testing of Press Out System (01 No.) and High Torque Mixer (01 No.) for Varnika at BRBNMPL, Mysuru.
3. **Tender No. 106/MYS/CIVIL/2022-23** – Annual Maintenance Contract of Railway Siding at BRBNMPL, Mysuru.

For downloading tender documents, last date of submission of above tenders and other details, kindly visit our website **www.brbnmpl.co.in** Further corrigendum/ amendment to above tenders, if issued in future, will be notified on the Company website only.
Sr. General Manager (PP)

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HIGH PRAISE

Appropriate that India launched the WPL: ICC chairman Barclay

The WPL has come in for high praise from ICC chairman Greg Barclay. In a video released by the BCCI, he commended the BCCI for the league's professionalism and remuneration. He said it was appropriate that India launched the WPL and that there was no reason for the men's and women's game to be viewed as different.

SAFETY MEASURES

BCCI, Team India monitoring India players' workload: Capitals CEO

The BCCI and Team India management are keeping tabs on workload management of national players but there has been no specific directive for IPL franchises, said Delhi Capitals CEO Dheeraj Malhotra. NCA has shared a detailed workload monitoring report of all Indian players to help IPL teams' medical units, he said.

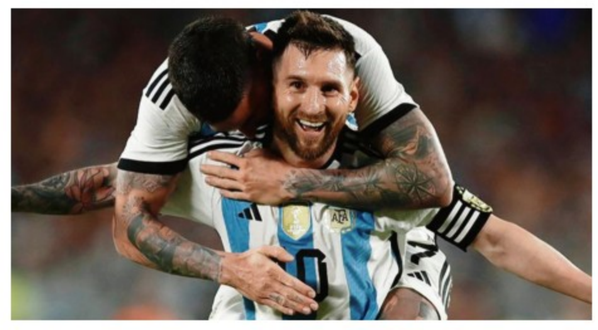
IN HER ELEMENT

Pegula keeps her Miami title challenge on track

World No. 3 Jessica Pegula got her WTA & ATP combined Miami Open campaign underway with a confident 6-3, 6-1 second-round win over Canada's Katherine Sebov on Thursday. With top-ranked Iga Swiatek having withdrawn, American Pegula is among the favourites to challenge Aryna Sabalenka for the title.

CELEBRATION

Messi's Argentina beats Panama in friendly match



Argentina beat Panama 2-0 on Thursday in a friendly match. In the 78th minute when Thiago Almada scored after a free kick by Messi hit the goal post. Ten minutes later, Messi scored the 800th goal of his professional career with a perfectly executed free kick. After the match, the celebrations got into full swing.

Best foot forward: Sciver-Brunt's hurricane knock took MI to a formidable total. EMMANUAL YOGINI

Mumbai Indians storms into final

After Sciver-Brunt's unbeaten 38-ball 72 takes Harmanpreet's side to 182, Wong's hat-trick scuttles Warriorz' chase; MI meets DC in summit clash

WPL

P.K. Ajith Kumar
NAVI MUMBAI

The present and future of English cricket shone brightly on Friday night.

Mumbai Indians was the beneficiary, as it moved into the final of the Women's Premier League, crushing UP Warriorz by 72 runs in the Eliminator at the D.Y. Patil Stadium in front of a near full house.

Nat Sciver-Brunt, one of the best in the women's game, smashed a brilliant 72 not out off just 38 balls (9x4, 2x6).

Young Issy Wong produced the WPL's first hat-trick to end whatever faint hopes Kiran Navgire (43, 27b, 4x4, 3x6) may have given Warriorz. Chasing MI's imposing 182 for four, Warriorz was bowled out for 110 in 17.4 overs.

It was not quite an England day though, as the Purple Cap holder Sophie Ecclestone dropped Sciver-Brunt when the batter was on six.

Sciver-Brunt was determined to make the best out of that reprieve and she seemed determined to stay till the end too.

MI needed her too, as the others, openers Yastika Bhatia (21, 18b, 4x4) and Hayley Matthews (26, 26b, 2x4, 1x6) as well as captain Harmanrpeet Kaur (14), had all got starts but could not capitalise.

Making history: Wong performed the first hat-trick of the WPL. EMMANUAL YOGINI

On song

Sciver-Brunt played some fine strokes, including one through extra-cover off Ecclestone to reach her fifty.

She scored at nearly two runs per delivery for much of her innings. It was a remarkable knock.

She received excellent support from Amelia Kerr (29, 19b, 5x4), another all-rounder who has been having a great tournament. The duo added 60 for the fourth wicket.

Then, the Wong show began. The hat-trick came in the 13th over, but the pacer had provided a teaser in the third over when she dismissed Alyssa Healy, the Warriorz captain on whom depended much.

The dismissals of the other two Aussie batters in form, Tahlia McGrath and Grace Harris, meant it was going to be an uphill task.

The sequence

Wong's hat-trick began by having Navgire caught at deep mid-wicket. She then had Simran Shaikh and Ecclestone bowled. She sealed MI's ticket to the final.

SCOREBOARD

MUMBAI INDIANS

Yastika Bhatia c Kiran b Anjali 21 *(18b, 4x4)*, Hayley Matthews c Kiran b Parshavi 26 *(26b, 2x4, 1x6)*, Nat Sciver-Brunt (not out) 72 *(38b, 9x4, 2x6)*, Harmanpreet Kaur b Ecclestone 14 *(15b, 1x4)*, Amelia Kerr c Anjali b Ecclestone 29 *(19b, 5x4)*, Pooja Vastrakar (not out) 11 *(4b, 1x4, 1x6)*; Extras (b-2, lb-4, w-3): 9; Total (for four wkts. in 20 overs): 182.

FALL OF WICKETS

1-31 (Yastika, 4.2 overs), 2-69 (Matthews, 9.1), 3-104 (Harmanpreet, 12.5), 4-164 (Kerr, 18.6).

UP WARRIORZ BOWLING

Harris 3-0-20-0, Anjali 3-0-17-1, Rajeshwari 4-0-36-0, Ecclestone 4-0-39-2, Deepti 4-0-39-0, Parshavi 2-0-25-1.

UP WARRIORZ

Alyssa Healy c Harmanpreet b Wong 11 *(6b, 2x4)*, Shweta Sehrawat c Matthews b Saika 1 *(8b)*, Kiran Navgire c Sciver-Brunt b Wong 43 *(27b, 4x4, 3x6)*, Tahlia McGrath run out 7 *(6b, 1x4)*, Grace Harris c Wong b Sciver-Brunt 14 *(12b, 3x4)*, Deepti Sharma c Jintimani b Matthews 16 *(20b, 3x4)*, Simran Shaikh b Wong 0 *(1b)*, Sophie Ecclestone b Wong 0 *(1b)*, Anjali Sarvani b Jintimani 5 *(11b)*, Rajeshwari Gayakwad lbw b Saika 5 *(9b, 1x4)*, Parshavi Chopra (not out) 0 *(5b)*; Extras (w-8): 8; Total (in 17.4 overs): 110.

FALL OF WICKETS

1-8 (Shweta, 1.6), 2-12 (Healy, 2.2), 3-21 (McGrath, 4.1), 4-56 (Harris, 7.5), 5-84 (Kiran, 12.2), 6-84 (Simran, 12.3), 7-84 (Ecclestone, 12.4), 8-94 (Deepti, 13.5), 9-104 (Anjali, 16.1).

MUMBAI INDIANS BOWLING

Sciver-Brunt 3-0-21-1, Saika 2.4-1-24-2, Wong 4-0-15-4, Kerr 3-0-25-0, Matthews 3-0-21-1, Amanjot 1-0-2-0, Jintimani 1-0-2-1.

Toss: Warriorz.
PoM: Sciver-Brunt.
MI won by 72 runs, meets DC in final on March 26.

Capitals will sorely miss 'heart and soul' Pant, says Ponting

Uthra Ganesan
NEW DELHI

The absence of Rishabh Pant predictably dominates everything Delhi Capitals does ahead of this year's IPL beginning in a week.

Head coach Ricky Ponting said on the sidelines of an event here on Friday that while the recuperating Indian wicketkeeper was irreplaceable, the team was concentrating more on working with the squad it has.

"He's a huge loss and it doesn't matter who we bring in in that role, we will still miss Rishabh. I am not going to try and gloss over that fact, he's one of the best players in the world in all three formats and he's obviously our leader. So, trying to replace him is pretty much impossible.

"Sarfaraz Khan, Yash Dhull can easily slot into the middle-order.

"Lalit Yadav played some games last year and Aman Khan has been ultra impressive.

"We have Rovman Powell, even Axar's batting has improved a lot so we will try and find a cover for Rishabh,"

Pant and Ponting. SPORTZPICS/IPL

The team was looking at replacement Indian wicketkeepers and a decision would be taken after the two trial games on March 25 and 28.

Ponting also indicated that the team was looking at ways to include 'his presence' during the games.

"In an ideal world, he'd be sitting next to me in the dugout every match.

"But if that's not possible, we'd like to think of little ways we might include him, have his number on our shirts or caps – just so the players understand he's the heart and soul of DC and also for fans, to show how much he's a part of us," Ponting said.

Rudrankksh edges Haonan for 10m air rifle bronze in thriller

ISSF WORLD CUP

Santadeep Dey
BHOPAL

Rudrankksh Patil may have the Indian shooting fraternity dreaming of an Olympic medal once again, but the reigning 10m air rifle world champion, after what transpired during the ISSF World Cup here on Friday, is certainly going to appear in Yu Haonan's nightmares for quite some time now.

Haonan had held on to the third spot from the close of the first series in the 10m AR ranking round, never losing his place to any shooter in the field. Until, of course, Rudrankksh rediscovered his mojo to eventually claim the bronze medal.

The Thane lad had got off to a horrid start, registering a 9.9 and 10.1 in the very first series. There was a collective gasp from the crowd, unaccustomed to seeing Rudrankksh shoot a low 10, let alone a nine-pointer. Last October, Rudrankksh's lowest score in the entirety of the GM match at the World Championships was a 10.3!

The two poor hits saw him tally 51.5 at the end of the first set of five shots; he was seventh then. Hriday Hazarika, the other finalist from India, shot 52.1 and moved two places clear of the danger zone.

After the second series, Rudrankksh was still seventh and struggling. But he had managed to score 0.9 more than the last set. The third series saw him fetch 52.3 and move to fifth, one spot below his compatriot.

After 20 shots, Rudrankksh had jumped to the fourth spot with an epic series worth 53.5. Although India lost Hazarika next, loud cheers rent the air for Rudrankksh had just slipped past Haonan.

The cries of "India, India" clearly got into the head of the 23-year-old China shooter as he ended up shooting a 9.5 in the last series.

Getting it done: Rudrankksh rediscovered his mojo to eventually finish third. A.M. FARUQUI

The results (10m air rifle):

Men: 1. Sheng Lihao (Chn), 2. Du Linshu (Chn), 3. Rudrankksh Balasaheb Patil (Ind).

Women: 1. Huang Yuting (Chn), 2. Mary Carolynn Tucker (USA), 3. Alexandra Le (Kaz). **Medals tally:** 1. China: 5 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze; 2. India: 1-1-3; 3. Azerbaijan, Germany, Hungary & USA: 0-1-0.

New-look Sunrisers Hyderabad looks for a new dawn after large-scale overhaul

IPL-16 COUNTDOWN

V.V. Subrahmanyam

Former champion Sunrisers Hyderabad sports a new look under a new leader in Aiden Markram. Not surprisingly the team would hope to reverse its fortunes after the dismal showing in the last edition, when it finished eighth.

That SRH decided to release New Zealand's most successful batter, Kane Williamson – after his indifferent form last season – and West Indian Nicholas Pooran, gives a fair indication of the team management's approach to the fresh season.

Heavyweights

Markram is expected to lead from the front with the likes of the big-hitting Harry Brook of England (bought at a a whopping ₹13.25 crore), Glen Phillips, who has two T20I centuries to his name, the dangerous Heinrich Klaasen of South Africa, Mayank Agarwal, Anmolpreet Singh, Abdul Samad and left-arm spinning all-rounder Abhishek Sharma.

The expectations on the team that finished eighth in the 10-team table last season, will be high given the kind of changes the SRH management has made.

Game-Changer

SUNRISERS HYDERABAD

- The explosive South Africa batter smashed an unbeaten 61-ball 119 against West Indies in an ODI recently, displaying his power-hitting prowess and match-winning ability
- He has the potential to alter the course of a game not only with his batting but also his fielding. The 31-year-old can don the big gloves too if the need arises
- He would be an ideal fit in the middle-order and play the finisher's role

The Dugout

Aiden Markram (Capt.), Harry Brook, Mayank Agarwal, Anmolpreet Singh, Rahul Tripathi, Abdul Samad, Heinrich Klaasen, Nitish Reddy, Upendra Yadav, Glenn Phillips, Adil Rashid, Mayank Markande, Sanvir Singh, Akeal Hosein, Fazalhaq Farooqi, Kartik Tyagi, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Umran Malik, T. Natarajan, Vivrant Sharma, Samarth Vyas, Mayank Dagar, Abhishek Sharma, Washington Sundar and Marco Jansen.

SUNRISERS HYDERABAD'S 2023 FIXTURES

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April 7	vs. LSG	7.30 p.m.	Lucknow
April 9	vs. PBKS	7.30 p.m.	Hyderabad
April 14	vs. KKR	7.30 p.m.	Kolkata
April 18	vs. MI	7.30 p.m.	Hyderabad
April 21	vs. CSK	7.30 p.m.	Chennai
April 24	vs. DC	7.30 p.m.	Hyderabad
April 29	vs. DC	7.30 p.m	Delhi
May 4	vs. KKR	7.30 p.m	Hyderabad
May 7	vs. RR	7.30 p.m.	Jaipur
May 13	vs. LSG	3.30 p.m.	Hyderabad
May 15	vs. GT	7.30 p.m.	Ahmedabad
May 18	vs. RCB	7.30 p.m.	Hyderabad
May 21	vs. MI	3.30 p.m.	Mumbai

No doubt, the take on Williamson was a huge surprise. Team history will reveal that SRH did bank heavily on big-hitting openers like David Warner and Jonny Bairstow followed by Williamson at the top. So, it will be interesting to see how successful the new combinations will be. Reason enough for Markram to feel the pressure – from focus on his captaincy skills and from the burden of expectations.

The bowling should be in the safe hands of the trusted pace trio of the experienced swing merchant Bhuvneshwar Kumar, though his efficacy could be put to serious test this season, the fiery Umran Malik, who claimed 22 wickets last season, and the crafty T. Natarajan, who is capable of testing the best of batting line-ups on any given day. The presence of England's leggie Adil Rashid this time around should lend a lot of variety and in a way compensate for the absence of one of SRH's most successful bowlers and another leg-spinner Rashid Khan. With Washington Sundar joining hands, the two can be a formidable duo on any surface.

Legends on hand

The support staff has legends like Brian Lara, who will be assisted by Simon Helmot, spin bowling coach Muttiah Muralitharan, fast bowling coach Dale Steyn and fielding coach Hemang Badani. Illustrious names who knew the art of giving their best under pressure and whose expertise and vast knowledge should be of great help to the SRH players, especially the young talent.

INBRIEF

Qualifying for European Championship get underway

It was a record-breaking night for Cristiano Ronaldo and Harry Kane as qualifying for the European Championship in 2024 got underway on Thursday. Already the leading scorer in men's international soccer, 38-year-old Ronaldo now has more international appearances than any other male player after racking up No. 197 in Portugal's 4-0 win over Liechtenstein. The former Real Madrid and Manchester United striker marked the occasion by converting a penalty and adding another second-half goal to move onto 120 in international matches. Kane, meanwhile, became England's outright leading scorer of all time by netting a first-half penalty in a 2-1 win at Italy. It lifted Kane to 54 goals for his country, one more than Wayne Rooney.

India beats Thailand, meets Hong Kong for fifth place

Harithashree Venkatesh scored a fighting 2-6, 6-1, 6-2 victory over Jinnipa Trachoovanich as India beat Thailand 2-0 in the play-off match for the fifth-eighth places in the Asia-Oceania World Junior under-14 girls tennis tournament in Kuching, Malaysia, on Friday. In the match for the fifth place, India will play Hong Kong which it had beaten earlier in the league stage. After winning all three matches in the league, India had lost to Kazakhstan 0-2 in the quarterfinals and thus lost the chance to qualify for the world group stage.

The results: Play-off 5-8: India bt Thailand 2-0
(Harithashree Venkatesh bt Jinnipa Trachoovanich 2-6, 6-1, 6-2; Maaya Rajeshwaran bt Tarita Hongsyok 6-4, 6-3).

LIVE TELECAST

New Zealand vs Sri Lanka: 1st ODI, Prime Video, 6.30 a.m.
NBA: Jio Cinema App, 7.30 a.m.
Zimbabwe vs Netherlands: 3rd ODI, FanCode, 1 p.m.
South Africa vs West Indies: 1st T20I, SS Select 1 (SD & HD), Hotstar & FanCode, 5 p.m.
Formula E: Sao Paulo GP (Qualifying), SS Select 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 6 p.m.; Main Race: SS Select 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 10 p.m.
Women's Boxing World Championships: Sony Sports Ten 1 (SD & HD) & LIV, 6 p.m.
BWF: Swiss Open, Jio Cinema App, 6.30 p.m.
Euro 2024 Qualifiers: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 7.30, 10.30 p.m, & 1.30 a.m. (Sunday)

Four top pugilists will be out to emulate India's feat of 2006

When the country hosted the event 17 years ago, four of the five in the finals had claimed the top honour; Nitu and Saweety will be seen in action today, while Nikhat and Lovlina will take the ring on Sunday

WORLD BOXING

Y.B. Sarangi
NEW DELHI

Golden chance: Nikhat, left, has a great opportunity to claim a second yellow metal. R.V. MOORTHY

Four accomplished Indians, Commonwealth Games champion Nitu Ghanghas (48kg), 52kg World champion Nikhat Zareen (50kg), 69kg Olympic bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain (75kg) and Asian champion Saweety Boora (81kg), will seek to match the home boxers' 2006 feat in the finals of the World women's boxing championships at the K.D. Jadhav Hall here over the weekend.

While Nitu and Saweety will be seen in action on Saturday, Nikhat and Lovlina will take the ring on Sunday.

When the country hosted the event, in its early years before its Olympic debut, here 17 years ago, four of the five Indians in the finals had claimed the top honour.

Irrespective of the absence of some top nations due to a boycott, the sport's Olympic status and the lucrative prize purse of $100,000 for a World champion, the competition has reached a different level.

Following a hat-trick of RSC wins, Nitu soaked pressure and avenged her defeat to Worlds silver medallist and Asian champion Alua Balkibekova in the semifinals. She will be keen to repeat her fine showing against Mongolian two-time Asian bronze medallist Altantsetseg Lutsaikhan to scale a new peak.

"Now I can seamlessly change my game according to my opponent and will continue to like this," said Nitu.

For 30-year-old Saweety, who bagged a silver nine years ago, beating two tough opponents to enter the final was a big achievement. She will leave no stone unturned against China's 2018 World champion Lina Wang. "I have a golden chance of changing my silver medal into gold," said Saweety.

Nikhat, who overcame World and Olympic medallist Ingrit Valencia in the last-four, will seek to become the second woman boxer after M.C. Mary Kom to claim more than one gold. She performed exemplarily against strong rivals and will back herself once more, against Vietnam's 2018 Asian Games bronze medallist Thi Tam Ngyuen. "For the first time, I am fighting in six bouts. Am getting better with each fight," said Nikhat.

New weight

Asian champion Lovlina, like Nikhat, is also seeking to assert herself in the new weight. Following a rusty first round, she raised her game, on way to beating World and Olympic medal winner Li Qian, to ensure her third Worlds medal. She is looking forward to beating Australia's two-time Commonwealth Games medallist Caitlin Parker. "The final will be tough. I will keep fighting," said Lovlina.

With the Asian Games and Paris Olympics in sight, a champion's status will boost these boxers.

Satwik-Chirag duo in last eight; Sindhu dethroned

SWISS OPEN

Press Trust of India
BASEL

P.V. Sindhu failed to defend her Swiss Open Super 300 badminton title as she was shocked by unseeded Putri Kusuma Wardani of Indonesia in the second round here on Thursday.

World No. 9 Sindhu, seeded fourth, was beaten 2-15, 12-21, 21-18 by the 38th-ranked Wardani in their first-ever face-off.

But the second-seeded men's pairing of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty kept India's flag flying by entering the quarterfinals with a hard-fought 12-21, 21-17, 28-26 victory over Taiwanese pair of Fang-Chih Lee and Fang-Jen Lee.

Earlier on Thursday, world No. 9 and fifth seed H.S. Prannoy made a shock second-round exit after losing in straight games against unseeded Christo Popov of France.

Prannoy, favourite coming into the contest, looked a pale shadow of himself in front of world No. 40 Popov.

Age no deterrent for coach Yin Wei

Strong bond: Yin, centre, with Jubin, left, and Kashyap. K. KEERTHIVASAN

TABLE TENNIS

K. Keerthivasan
JAMMU

Yin Wei was one of the earliest Chinese table tennis coaches to train the Indians. As coach of Petroleum Sports Petroleum Board Academy, Ajmer (PSPBA), his tenure began in 1995 and Yin soon became an integral part of the Academy.

He went on to produce a host of International paddlers – Soumyadeep Roy, Jubin Kumar, Anal Kashyap, A. Amalraj, Soumyajit Ghosh and Manav Thakkar – among others.

At 69, Wei hasn't stopped coaching and is quite active at Kolkata's Centre of Excellence, training children of different age groups.

Asked if he has grown tired of the job, Wei said: "Not at all. Every day I study the latest articles on technical aspects, watch videos and watch all the latest International tournaments."

His wards shower praise on Wei. "His wealth of technical knowledge is enormous. He knows how to improve or correct the strokes of a paddler. What I am now I owe it to him," said former India No. 1 Jubin Kumar, who was with Wei at PSPBA from 1998 to 2008. Kashyap, one of Assam's top paddlers, was the first batch of trainees at PSPBA. "The training sessions with Wei were well organised. They were very useful, especially in the technical aspects. If not for PSPBA and Wei, I wouldn't have been on the National scene," said Kashyap, who was with the Academy from 1995-2001.

That Wei enjoys a close relationship with the players, Jubin and Kashyap in particular, shines through when you mention their names.

"It's a life-long relationship. It cannot be broken," said Wei. Some bonds last a lifetime indeed.

Shreya holds Aleksandrov

Rakesh Rao
NEW DELHI

Shreya Hipparagi, 13, has been making waves with podium finishes across Asian, Commonwealth and National age-group championships.

On Friday, Shreya posted her biggest result by holding seasoned Grandmaster Aleksej Aleksandrov in the second round of the Delhi International Open chess tournament at the Nehru Stadium.

This talented girl from Sankh (on the Maharashtra-Karnataka border), punched way over her modest rating of 1508 to prove equal to the 12th seed from Belarus, rated 2484, in 46 moves.

The only consolation the 49-year old received was when fellow-Grandmaster and 24th seeded compatriot Vitaly Teterev (2377) was held by another teen talent A. S. Jeeva (1487).

Though all the leading seeds scored expected victories, International Master K. Ratnakaran (2275) crashed to a stunning loss against rising talent Sarvani Cheedella (1476) from Vijayawada to become the strongest player to lose.

Gaurav Sharma (1495) did well to hold IM Anuj Shrivatri.

Auspicious Queen claims the Governor's Trophy

BENGALURU: Mr. S.N. Harish's Auspicious Queen (Suraj up) won the Governor's Trophy, the feature event of the concluding day's races held here on Friday (March 24). The winner is trained by Narayana Gowda. Jockey Trevor won four races on the day.
LEADING INDIVIDUAL OWNER: Dr. M.A.M. Ramaswamy Chettiar Of Chettinad Charitable Trust (prize money of ₹1,02,71,124).
LEADING JOINT OWNER: Mr. Vijay B Shirke, Mrs. Vijay B. Shirke, Five Stars Shipping Co. Pvt Ltd & Darashaw Bloodstock Pvt Ltd (prize money of ₹34,00,000).
CHAMPION TRAINER: Irfan Ghatala (16 wins, 14 second).
CHAMPION JOCKEY: P. Trevor (26 wins).
CHAMPION INDIAN JOCKEY CLAIMING ALLOWANCE: Likith Appu (10 wins).
LEADING STUD FARM: Kunigal (21 wins).
HORSE OF THE SEASON: Isnt She Beautiful (4 starts, 3 wins & 1 second).
CHAMPION HORSE: La Reina (prize money of ₹1,06,11,182).
THE RESULTS:
1. CHAMPION JOCKEY TROPHY (DIV. III): TOP DANCER (Likith Appu) 1, Macron (Trevor) 2, Sacred Creator (Srinath) 3 and Akasi (Vivek) 4. 3/4, 5 and 3/4. 1m, 25.76s. ₹35 (w), 14, 11 and 14 (p), SHP: 34, THP: 38, FP: 175, Q: 42, Trinella: 270, Exacta: 1,061. Favourite: Macron. Owner: Dr. Suresh Chintamaneni. Trainer: Neil Devaney.
2. GANGAVALLI PLATE: THUNDERSTRUCK (I. Chisty) 1, Solid Power (Salman K) 2, My Vision (Srinath) 3 and Bruce Almighty (Neeraj) 4. 5-3/4, 1/2 and 3/4. 1m, 38.39s. ₹40 (w), 17, 58 and 11 (p), SHP: 214, THP: 60, FP: 2,949, Q: 1,294, Trinella: 10,243, Exacta: 24,236. Favourite: My Vision. Owner: Mr. Nanda Kumar N. Trainer: Sharat Kumar.
3. CHAMPION JOCKEY TROPHY (DIV. II): ACCUMULATE (Trevor) 1, Capriati (S. John) 2, Breeze Bluster (Vinod Shinde) 3 and Opus One (L.A. Rozario) 4. Not run: Speaking Of Stars and My Solitaire. Nk, 3/4 and 1-1/2. 1m, 25.81s. ₹14 (w), 10, 14 and 16 (p), SHP: 34, THP: 37, FP: 64, Q: 42, Trinella: 553, Exacta: 1,081. Favourite: Accumulate. Owner: Sohna Stud Farm Pvt Ltd. Trainer: Pradeep Annaiah.
4. CHAMPION JOCKEY TROPHY (DIV. I): KING OF WAR (Trevor) 1, Agera (Akshay K) 2, Super Ruffian (S. John) 3 and Impiana (Likith Appu) 4. 1/2, 3-1/4 and 5. 1m, 25.26s. ₹16 (w), 12, 24 and 17 (p), SHP: 67, THP: 37, FP: 150, Q: 96, Trinella: 438, Exacta: 2,638. Favourite: King Of War. Owner: Mrs. Shruthiba L. Gowda. Trainer: V. Lokanath.
5. CHAMPION TRAINER TROPHY: SCRIBBLING HOPPER (Ajeet K) 1, Mystic Eye (Zervan) 2, The Inheritor (Srinath) 3 and Tiger Returns (Likith Appu) 4. Lnk, 1/2 and 3/4. 1m, 12.60s. ₹253 (w), 40, 25 and 14 (p), SHP: 56, THP: 61, FP: 4,819, Q: 780, Trinella: 14,184, Exacta: 53,504 (carried over). Favourite: Devils Magic. Owner: Mr. M. Satyanarayana. Trainer: Azhar Ali.
6. LEADING OWNER TROPHY: DE VILLIERS (Akshay K) 1, Last Wish (Suraj) 2, Del Mar (Arvind K) 3 and Moon's Blessing (Trevor) 4. 1/2, 1-3/4 and 1. 1m, 24.20s. ₹64 (w), 19, 10 and 81 (p), SHP: 33, THP: 198, FP: 128, Q: 48, Trinella: 3,802, Exacta: 13,031. Favourite: Last Wish. Owners: Mr. Marthand Singh Mahindra, Mrs. Rina Mahindra, Mr. Rama Seshu Eyunni & Mr. P. Prabhakar Reddy. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.
7. GOVERNOR'S TROPHY: AUSPICIOUS QUEEN (Suraj) 1, Granpar (Neeraj) 2, Miracle Mary (Akshay K) 3 and Fearless Joey (Kiran Naidu) 4. 4-1/4, 1-3/4 and 1. 1m, 38.17s. ₹15 (w), 12 and 12 (p), SHP: 22, THP: 34, FP: 25, Q: 22, Trinella: 51, Exacta: 324. Favourite: Auspicious Queen. Owner: Mr. S.N. Harish. Trainer: Narayana Gowda.
8. LEADING STUD TROPHY: SIEGE COURAGEOUS (Trevor) 1, Eternal Princess (M. Prabhakaran) 2, Kensington Court (L.A. Rozario) 3 and Archway (Akshay K) 4. 3-1/2, 2 and Snk. 1m, 05.65s (record time). ₹16 (w), 12, 39 and 16 (p), SHP: 100, THP: 37, FP: 286, Q: 203, Trinella: 909, Exacta: 2,983. Favourite: Siege Courageous. Owners: Mr. Dean Stephens & Mukteshwar Racing LLP. Trainer: Prasanna Kumar.
9. GOOD-BYE PLATE: MEMORABLE TIME (Trevor) 1, Cinco De Mayo (Likith Appu) 2, Antilope (S. John) 3 and Ultimate Chance (L.A. Rozario) 4. Not run: The Intruder and Paradise Beckons. 1/2, Lnk and Shd. 1m, 27.23s. ₹42 (w), 17, 21 and 17 (p), SHP: 67, THP: 59, FP: 725, Q: 243, Trinella: 1,204, Exacta: 4,087. Favourite: Antilope. Owners: Mr. H. K. Lakshman Gowda & Mr. Sharath M. Narayana. Trainer: V. Lokanath.
Jackpot: ₹34,500 (two tkts.); Runner up: 2,957 (10 tkts.); Treble (i): 923 (five tkts.); (ii): 7,554 (carried over); (iii): 80 (246 tkts.).

Humpy and Harika look to continue good form

FIDE WOMEN'S GP

Rakesh Rao
NEW DELHI

K. Humpy, D. Harika and R. Vaishali will look to make the most of the opportunity to play the third leg of the FIDE Women's Grand Prix that opens at the Leela Hotel here on Saturday.

Some of the leading women players are in the fray in their search to finish among the top two players from the four-leg Grand Prix and qualify for the next Candidates Tournament.

In all, 16 players are participating in this season's Grand Prix circuit that allows each player to figure in three of the four tournaments.

The late withdrawal of the Muzychuk sisters – Anna and Mariya – allowed Vaishali and Georgia's Nino Batsiashvili to join the field here.

Top stars

The top seed is the World No. 3 Aleksandra Goryachkina. Other prominent challengers are the reigning women's world blitz champion Bibisara Assaubayeva and former world rapid and blitz champion Kateryna Lagno. Missing from the fray is the current Grand Prix points leader and former World champion Alexendra Kosteniuk.

Humpy and Harika, playing at home after the Chess Olympiad last year, have shown good form in the recent Candidates tournament.

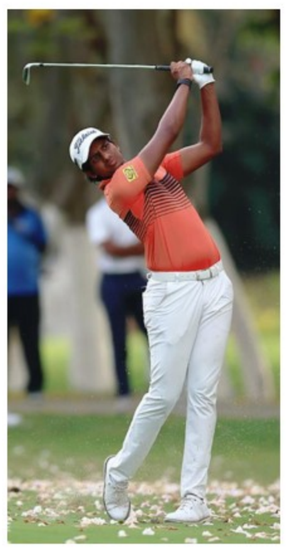
In the second leg held in Munich, Humpy finished second while Harika was fourth. Both players skipped the first leg at Astana where Vaishali shared the sixth spot.

The time-control will be 90 minutes for the first 40 moves and another 30 minutes for the rest of the game. A 30-second increment gets added to the players' clock for every completed move. The prize-fund for each leg is £80,000.

The players: 1. Aleksandra Goryachkina (FIDE, 2576), 2. K. Humpy (2576), 3. Kateryna Lagno (FIDE, 2560), 4. Nana Dzagnidzer (Geo, 2525), 5. D. Harika (2511), 6. Zhansaya Abdumalik (Kaz, 2497), 7. Zhu Jiner (Chn, 2489).

8. Nino Batsiashvilli (Geo, 2489), 9. Polina Shuvalova (FIDE, 2484), 10. Elisabeth Paehtz (Ger, 2474), 11. Bibisara Assaubayeva (Kaz, 2440), 12. R. Vaishali (2433).

Elvira cards two-under 70, holds on to the lead after two rounds



Aryan moved up by five spots. GETTY IMAGES

GOLF

Ashwin Achal
BENGALURU

Manuel Elvira's two-under 70 second round was enough to hold on to the lead in the $300,000 Duncan Taylor Black Bull Challenge at the Karnataka Golf Association (KGA) here on Friday.

Elvira, who shot a stellar nine-under 63 first round, holds a one shot lead over second-placed Sweden's Rikard Karlberg (10-under 134).

Aman Raj was the best-placed Indian in tied third place (nine-under 135). Aman shares his spot with Italy's Stefano Mazzoli, Oliver Farr of Wales and England's Ashley Chesters.

Aryan Roopa Anand, playing on his home course, shot a 68 to rise five spots to tied seventh.

The cut fell at three-under 141, with fourteen Indians out of a total of 52 making it to the money rounds.

Good start

Aman began well with birdies on the second and fourth holes, but slipped to bogeys on the sixth and seventh as his putter went cold. Four birdies between the ninth and the 13th helped him finish strongly.

"It was an up and down round but I'm glad I managed to salvage it after being in trouble at one stage," Aman said.

Elvira, meanwhile, found it tough to negotiate the breezy afternoon conditions.

The scores (top three):

133: Manuel Elvira (Esp) (63, 70);
134: Rikard Karlberg (Swe) (68, 66);.

135: Ashley Chesters (Eng) (67, 68), Oliver Farr (Wal) (64, 71), Stefano Mazzoli (Ita) (67, 68), Aman Raj (Ind) (67, 68).

Ratcliffe says he has submitted second bid for Manchester United

Associated Press
MANCHESTER

The proposed sale of Manchester United gathered pace on Thursday when British billionaire Jim Ratcliffe said he had submitted a second bid for the iconic soccer team.

American merchant bank Raine had given bidders more time to fine-tune proposals by extending Wednesday night's deadline for the latest round of offers for the Premier League club.

"Sir Jim Ratcliffe and INEOS can confirm we have submitted a revised bid," INEOS said on Thursday. Ratcliffe is one of the richest people in Britain and has been a United fan since childhood. Sheikh Jassim bin Hamad Al Thani is also set to submit a fresh offer.

New kids on the block: Ravindra has already played three Tests and six T20Is for New Zealand while Bowes is set to open the batting more than a decade after leading South Africa juniors at the 2012 U-19 World Cup before moving to New Zealand. GETTY IMAGES

Ravindra, Bowes to make ODI debuts for New Zealand

Sri Lanka heads into the series needing to win all three matches to claim a direct spot at the ODI World Cup in India later in the year

SRI LANKA IN NZ

Agence France-Presse
WELLINGTON

Former South Africa Under-19 captain Chad Bowes and all-rounder Rachin Ravindra will make their One-Day International debuts for New Zealand against Sri Lanka when the three-match series starts on Saturday.

Bowes is set to open the batting for the Black Caps at Auckland's Eden Park more than a decade after skippering South Africa's juniors at the 2012 Under-19 World Cup before moving to New Zealand.

> Both guys have earned their spots through performances in the domestic white-ball arena
> – TOM LATHAM

Ravindra has already played three Tests and six Twenty20s for New Zealand.

"Both guys have earned their spots through performances in the domestic white-ball arena, so we're really excited about the opportunity," said the New Zealand captain Tom Latham.

After whitewashing Sri Lanka 2-0 in the Tests, New Zealand has released several stars, including Kane Williamson, Tim Southee and Devon Conway, to their Indian Premier League teams.

The sides are looking to break their One-Day International losing streaks – New Zealand and Sri Lanka both lost all three ODIs on separate tours of India in January.

Must-win situation

Sri Lanka heads into the New Zealand series needing to win all three matches to claim a direct spot at the ODI World Cup in India later this year.

New Zealand has already qualified.

Sri Lanka has included experienced former Test captain Angelo Mathews in the white-ball squad.

Captain Dasun Shanaka is confident that Sri Lanka can win in Auckland, Christchurch and Hamilton over the next week to avoid having to play in a World Cup qualifying tournament.

"It's possible. It depends on the day. New Zealand is a good side and we aren't taking anything for granted.

"We need to do the hard work to win the series," the all-rounder added.

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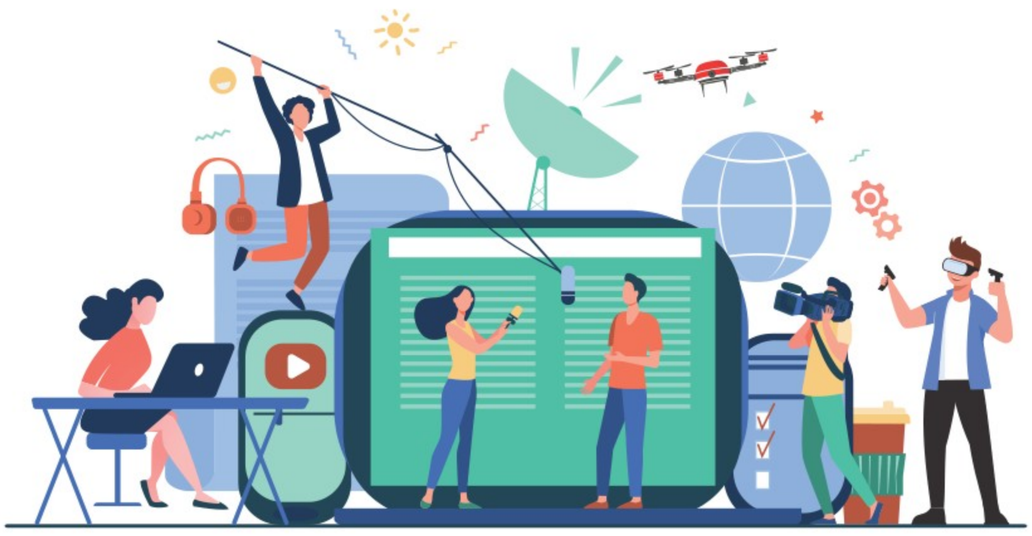

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Dated: 23.03.2023

short term tender notification is as below

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka Items rate tenders (Single & Two cover system) has been called for the following Tender works Under Rate Tender, as per Tender Documents and as per Karnataka transparency Act G.O.No.FD9 PCL 2004 Dt. 06.08.2005 and as per recent amendments, Date of uploading Tender forms under e-procurement Dt:24.03.2023 11:00 AM onwards, Last Date for submitting the filled Tender forms is 31.03.2023 upto 4.00 PM, Opening of Technical bid 01.04.2023 at 5.00PM onwards, Opening of Financial bid after approval of Technical bid. Government registered Class 2, 3, 4 & above Civil as per KW-1, KW-2 & KW-3, KW-4 tender documents are eligible to participate in the tender process for 59+11 works in H.D.Kote taluk, 20 works in Saraguru taluk, 05 work in Mysuru taluk & 03 works in T Narasipura taluk (Including Reservation works) (Amount put to tender starts from Rs.23.83 lakhs to Rs. 291.38 lakhs) & pre bid meeting is on 27.03.2023 at 11.00am for e-procurement support contact e-procurement Portal No.1/1 Sun Beam Building Eagle Street Long ford road, Long ford town Bangalore -560025 Tel. Phone No 080 – 22485867, 080-22485927. For more details log on to www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or contact the Officer under signed at office hours. Phone No.0821-2460 495.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, RDW&S, Division, Mysore
DIPR/DDMYS/KSMCA1235/2022-23

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike
Office of the Executive Engineer, Rajarajeshwari Nagara Division, BBMP Office, Near Chowdeshwari Bus Stop, Mathikere, Bengaluru-54.
No.EE/RRND/Tend/15/2022-23 Date: 21-03-2023

INVITATION FOR TENDERS (IFT)
(Single Cover Tender) (KW1 & KW2)
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal Only)

The Executive Engineer, Rajarajeshwari Nagara Division, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible Contractors registered in BBMP/CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES/National Highway or any State Govt. Organisations for the construction of work detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the work & Category	Estimate Cost (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD (in ₹.)
1.	Maintenance and repairs of Footpaths in Ward No.44, Veera Sindhura Lakshmana for the Year 2022-23 Call-3, **(Others).**	30.00	60,000/-
2.	Restoration of Road cutting portions in Ward No.44, Veera Sindhura Lakshmana for the Year 2022-23 Call-3, **(SC).**	10.00	12,500/-

Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Govt. of Karnataka from **23-03-2023 onwards. (2)** Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on or before **4:00 p.m. on 30-03-2023. (3)** Date of opening of tender is **31-03-2023 at 4:15 p.m.** and as per the e-procurement guidelines. **(4)** Any Corrigendum/Modification will be notified in the E-procurement Portal/Notice Board for the undersigned. Further particulars can be obtained from the above office during working hours on working days or from **website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**
Sd/-, Executive Engineer, Rajarajeshwari Nagara Division, BBMP.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Chief Commissioner, Annexe-1 Building,
N.R. Square, Bangalore-560002
FORM III
No: BBMP/C.Comm/PSR(G)/4291/2022-23 Date: 20.03.2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

In exercise of powers conferred under section **14-B of the Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act 1961** the following 'Area' mentioned in the schedule below is required by the Chief Commissioner, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike for Development of **Formation of Road from Hoodi Railway Station to Kumbena Agrahara via Sadaramangala** as per RMP 2015 width 18.00 Mtrs.
The following land / building owners have opted for Development Rights in lieu of monetary compensation under the Right to Fair Compensation and transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013. The Development Rights will be given by the Authority as twice the land area surrendered and two times the building area surrendered and as estimated by the value of the building area surrendered (valuated as per PWD norms) divided by the market value of the land on which the building is constructed.
The public is hereby informed about the details of the land and land owners and interested persons whose lands are required for the public purpose and Development Right Certificate (DRCs) are to be issued in lieu of monetary compensation. Any objections and suggestions are to be addressed to the Special Land Acquisition officer, O/o the Deputy Commissioner (Land Acquisition and TDR) Head Office, BBMP within thirty days from the date of publication of this Notification.

List of Land / Building area surrendered and land owners for which DRC is to be issued

Name of the District:Bengaluru Urban, Name of the Taluk : Bengaluru East, Name of the Village: Sadaramangala

Sy. No. Khatha No.	Type of land		Nature of land			Dimension of the land/ Plot & Extent in Sq.M		Boundaries of the land				Building Details			Present Activity on Land/Building (Specify Specific activity such as Shop, Office, factory, Apartment, Individual House etc.)	Market (guide lines) value of the land per Sq.M (in Rs.)	Name and address of the owner of the plot/Land for which DRC is to be issued
	Vacant	Built up	Agriculture	Converted Undeveloped	Approved layout / developed land Building site	Dimension	Extent	North	South	East	West	Extent in Sq.M	Type of Construction and No., of floors	Floor Area Ratio			
Sy. No. 1/3, 2/4, Khatha No. 536/1, Site No. 25	Vacant		Converted Unauthorised Layout B-Khatha Site / Plot			239.67Sqm		Site No. 26	Road	Road	Sy. No. 34	None	None	None	Vacant	13,950/- per Sqm	Sri Atluri Balamuralikrishna S/o. Sri Purushotham, #008, #135, Sree Charitha Gardens, 1st Cross, Chandra Layout, Marathahalli, Bangalore - 560 037. Aadhar No. 2896-1891-4664

Objections and suggestions may be submitted at the address specified below :

Name and address of the Divisional / Sub Divisional / Branch Office	Special Land Acquisition Officer, 1st Floor, Room No. 107, Annex Building - 3 , N. R. Square, BBMP, Bangalore - 560 002.

Sd/-
Chief Commissioner, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

'WTA ignoring Ukrainian players' request for meeting'

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TENNIS

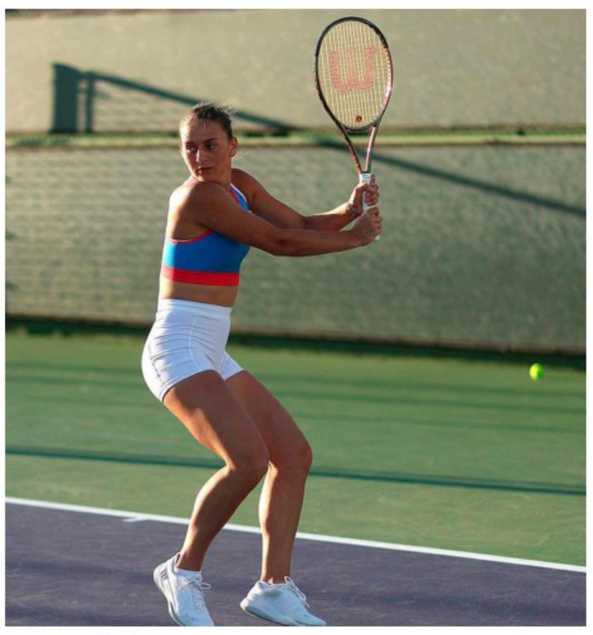
Agence France-Presse
MIAMI GARDENS

Ukraine's Marta Kostyuk says the WTA Tour has ignored a request for a meeting with players from the war-torn nation in the latest signs of the conflict-related tensions in women's tennis.

Kostyuk, cheered on by Ukrainian fans seated behind national flags, was beaten by Russian Anastasia Potapova at the Miami Open on Thursday and left the court without shaking the hand of her opponent.

Speaking to reporters after the loss, Kostyuk opened up about the frustration she and other Ukrainian players are feeling.

Her compatriot, Lesia Tsurenko, had said earlier this month that the players had asked for a meeting after she pulled out of Indian Wells ahead of a clash with Aryna Sabelenka of Belarus. Kostyuk said the request had so far been ignored. "Yes, we wanted to have the meeting with the



Judgement call: Kostyuk said she did not want to go into details about the issues that the players wished to discuss. GETTY IMAGES

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board and we didn't get one. No reply, nothing, just silence," she told reporters.

The WTA did not immediately respond to a request for comment from *AFP*. Kostyuk said she did not want to go into details about the issues that the players wished to discuss.

"I mean, once we're in the meeting we can talk about it. Before the meeting, I don't think it's a good idea to talk about what we want to talk about there," she said.

Bayern set to sack Nagelsmann, Tuchel favoutite to take over, say Reports

BERLIN: Bayern Munich is set to sack manager Julian Nagelsmann, according to German media reports on Thursday, with the perennial Bundesliga winner struggling to assert itself in the title race. Former Chelsea and Borussia Dortmund coach Thomas Tuchel is the favourite to replace Nagelsmann at Bayern, according to German daily *Bild*. The shock sacking will come with the team second in the table, a point behind arch-rival Dortmund and only four points ahead of surprise challenger Union Berlin. Bayern's quest for an 11th Bundesliga title in a row suffered a blow on Sunday as it fell to a 2-1 loss at Bayer Leverkusen – its second defeat in five domestic fixtures.

BENGALURU ROUND-UP

What a ride! Rushab Shah had seven podiums and two wins. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Rushab excels in WAD National Sportsbike Super Series

Bengaluru SuperBike rider Rushab Shah captured six consecutive podiums at the WAD National Sportsbike Super Series that concluded at the Dubai Autodrome last weekend. Rushab, the first Indian to excel in the Waleed Alshemais Dubai National Championship season 2022-23, finished with a rich haul of seven podiums including two wins and five second places.

Tennis camp

Tennis Temple Academy will conduct a summer camp from April 4 to 30 for kids and adults at the Academy courts in Rajajinagar. For details, call: 7406559000.

13 'suspicious' matches across globe last year, none in India: Sportradar

CRICKET

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Sportradar Integrity Services has reported 13 cricket matches played in 2022 "came under the cloud of suspicion".

Sportradar Integrity Services unit is an international team of qualified integrity experts who deliver analysis on irregular betting, match-fixing and other forms of corruption in sports.

Most in football

While football accounted for 775 matches, which possibly could have been corrupted, basketball is second with 220 such games, and lawn tennis third with 75 questionable games.

Highest in a year

Interestingly, among 12 sports, cricket only has 13 allegedly corrupt games and is sixth in the list.

The report claims that 13 corrupt games could still be the highest for the sport in a single year.

Sportradar states that it is not referring to any matches played in India as per the graphics depicted in the report.

Therefore, it can be inferred that none of the 13 corrupt matches mentioned in the report has been played in India.